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As Begin fights for survival

# West Bank unrest claims 3 more lives

TEL AVIV. March 24 (R) — Three more Palestinians died Wednesday in an uprising against Israeli occupation over the West Bank of Jordan as the Begin government fought for survival in Parliamen

Two youths were shot dead Wednesday morning — Palestinian eyewitnesses said one was killed by a Jewish settler — and Israeli military sources said a third Arab was killed when a petrol bomb he was preparing exploded in a hut. Another Palestinian with him was seriously

injured in the explosion in Abasan near Rafah. Pandemonium broke out in the Knesset (parliament) as opposition members tried to defeat the government on a crucial budget vote and cut Prime Minister Menahem Begin off from state funds. Opposition leaders also said they would keep pressing to oust Begin following Tuesday night's tied vote of confi-dence which forced him to the verge of resig-

The prime minister told reporters he expected that elections would have to be held within a year to resolve the parliament stale-

The government's handling of the West Bank uprising worsened when an Arab teenager was shot dead near Hebron. Palestinian eyewitnesses said he was shot by one of the 25,000 Jews who have settled in the West Bank since Israel occupied the territory in 1967. Yet a military spokesman said the army was urgently trying to determine whether a soldier or civilian was responsible for the

Palestinian leaders Tuesday night decided to extend the strike indefinitely. Disturbances flared in several districts, including the town of Rafah in the Gaza Strip. A curfew was imposed on Rafah after hundreds of youths blocked roads and pelted Israeli troops with stones, Israel radio reported.

Meanwhile, Israel's coalition government clung to power Wednesday after rejecting a proposal from Prime Minister Menahem Begin that it resign because of a parliamentary deadlock over the mounting Arab resistance in the West Bank.

A stormy no-confidence debate on Israeli repression in occupied areas, ended in a tied 58-58 vote in the Knesset (parliament) Tuesday night and for two hours the coalition partners discussed whether to stay in office. Begin, who said before the vote that he would resign in the event of a tie, urged his colleagues to agree to new elections because of the Knesset stalemate, Justice Minister Moshe Nissim told reporters. But the coalition partners decided by 12 votes to six to stay in office, Cabinet Secretary Arye Naor said.

In Washington, the National Association of Arab Americans (NAAA) urged the U.S. State Department Wednesday to conduct an investigation into the Israeli shootings of unarmed Palestinian teenagers in the West Bank. "The United States has a moral obligation to investigate these shootings and determine that Israel is engaged in a pattern of gross violation of internationally recognized human rights," said NAAA executive director David Sadd.

Ready for border talks

# Brezhnev woos Chinese

MOSCOW, March 24 (AP)-Soviet President Leonid I. Brezhnev, sounding more conciliatory than in the past, said Wednesday that Moscow was "ready at any moment" to reopen talks with Peking over the two communist giants' long-standing border disputes.

"We have not had and do not have any territorial claims to the People's Republic of China and we are ready at any moment to continue talks on existing border questions for the purpose of reaching mutually acceptable decisions. We are also ready to discuss the question of possible measures to strengthen mutual trust in the Soviet-Chinese frontier," Brezhnev said.

The aging Soviet leader was speaking in Tashkent, capital of Soviet Uzbekistan, where he presented the republic with an Order of Lenin for its outstanding agricultural production last year. China has refused to reopen talks, suspended in 1978, the border dispute until the Soviet Union withdraws its troops from Afghanistan.

As recently as last Friday, Peking accused the Soviet Union of showing "unrestrainable new aggressive impulses" toward Chinese territories. The two nations' territorial dispute centers on their common border where northwest China touches Soviet central Asia.

Despite the fact that we openly criticized and continue to criticize many aspects of the policy (especially foreign policy) of the Chinese leadership as being at variance with the socialist principles and standards, we have never tried to interfere in the internal life of the People's Republic of China," Brezhnev

Brezhnev said the Soviet Union continues to "recognize" Peking's "sovereignty over Taiwan Island," an issue which is currently straining U.S.-Chinese relations. The Soviet Union has quietly made two approaches to China in recent months about reopening the border talks, but China has maintained its position that the talks will not reopen as long as the Soviet Union maintains troops in

Afghanistan. We strongly demanded the withdrawai of the Soviet troops from Afghanistan. We demand and end to the Soviet encroachment on Afghan territory and state sovereignty and restoration of Afghanistan's independent and nonaligned status," the official Xinhua News Agency said last Saturday.

Brezhnev's last major pronouncement on Soviet-Chinese relations came a year ago at the 26th Communist Party Congress. In that lengthy speech, he spoke only briefly about China and blamed it for causing the rift. "If Soviet-Chinese relations are still frozen, the reason for this has nothing to do with our

position," Brezhnev said then, without cal-

#### ling for renewed border talks. Sino-U.S. dispute widens

PEKING, March 24 (AFP) — Communist Party vice-chairman Deng Xiaoping, the architect of the 1979 Sino-American normalization, is now prepared to envisage a "retrogression" of Chinese relations with the United States because of serious differences

Deng, who made a triumphant U.S. tour a few weeks after the January 1979 Sino-American normalization, made the remarks to former Cambodian head of state Prince Morodom Sihanouk here last month, according to the latest issue of the monthly Lia owang (Lookout Post).

Deng's 1979 U.S. trip had then been seen as the prelude to formation of an anti-Soviet Peking-Washington axis.

"We regard as unacceptable solutions advocated by the United States to settle the Taiwan issue (Republic of China). On this matter, there will be no concession. If things do go wrong, our relations will face a retrog-

ression. There is nothing trightening about that," Deng was quoted as saying.

Vice-chairman Deng also reportedly told Prince Sihanouk that China had always looked at the Sino-American relationship from a strategic angle and not "in the perspective of its own interests".

He made clear that the regime had for years survived isolation during the Yanan Period (1935-45) following the Communist long march.

On Taiwan, the main bone of contention between Washington and Peking, Deng said: "If this problem gains prominence, it will become extremely difficult to improve Sino-American relations."

"We are now waiting and are prepared to face various situations that might eventually

Peking strenuously opposes continued. U.S. arms sales to the rival Nationalist Chinese regime on Taiwan, which it sees as "meddling" in Chinese internal affairs.

# Argentina to legalize parties

Argentina's ruling military junta said Wednesday that it would legalize political parties within a few months and begin a gradual, phased return to democracy. A message from the three-man junta to mark the anniversary of a coup which brought the armed forces to power in 1976 said once political parties were re-established the government would seek agreement with them on a gradual transition to democracy.

A new law to legalize political parties would be introduced about the middle of this year, it added. But the junta warned that the return to elected government would be a gradual, phased process in which the political

parties would have to act responsibly. The government Tuesday announced the release of 80 political prisoners and increases in pensions ranging from 10 to 30 percent. The human rights organization CELS (the center for legal and social studies) described the statement on the freeing of prisoners as a fraud. Some of those whose release was announced had been freed a year ago and only 14 had been let out of prison recently. according to CELS spokesman Jose Wester-

Wednesday's message, read by the junta secretary, Rear Adm. Jtayuin Gomez at a military parade in Buenos Aires, had stated that mistakes had been made during the past six years of military rule. It stressed the govemment's determination to find lasting solutions to Argentina's severe economic problems but said that miracles could not be



# King receives message from King Hassan RIYADH, March 24 (SPA) — King

Khaled Wednesday received a message from King Hassan of Morocco. The message was delivered by Moroccan Foreign Minister Muhammad Boucetta Wednesday.

The meeting was attended by Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, Prince Sultan. defense and aviation minister and Prince Saud Al-Faisal, the foreign minister.

Boucetta discussed Islamic and international issues and bilateral relations with



Heavy losses reported

#### Iraq halts Iran onslaught captured in the Shush-Dezful counter-

said Tuesday that it had contained the Iranian onslaught and was on the offensive to chase them out of the Ojihe area. Iraq claimed its forces killed more than 10,000 Iranian troops and wounded or captured thousands of others in the counter offensive.

Meanwhile, the Iranian news agency IRNA said the Iranian forces have started the second phase of "operation victory" in the Shush-Dezful front in the southern Iranian oil province of Khuzistan.

Iran and Iraq have claimed to have killed, wounded and captured thousands of each other's troops in the first phase of the operation. The claims remain unverifiable as no foreign newsmen are allowed in the battle

The agency said "operation victory" launched in pre-dawn hours, was more extensive than the first phase and had resulted in the killing or surrender of "large numbers" of lraqi troops.

Iran launched operation victory Monday to coincide with Iranian new year, and claimed by Tuesday its forces had liberated large chunks of Iraqi-held territory, killed or wounded 12,000 Iraqi troops and captured 6,000

IRNA said 2,000 Imqi POWs captured in: the recent fighting were paraded in Tehran streets following their arrival from Khuzistan. Iraq also announced that Iranian POWs

offensive would be paraded in Baghdad stre-Iran itself has often declared it holds 7,000

Iraqi POWs from earlier fighting and estimated the number of Iranian POWs in Iraqi hands at 2,500. Meanwhile, the information headquarters of the Iranian Supreme Defense Council, the body responsible for supervising the war effort against Iraq, invited foreign journalists to come to Iran and witness the amazing victories" of the forces.

In Beirut, military experts said five days of fierce fighting between Iranian and Iraqi troops have shattered the months-old deadlock in the Gulf war. Both sides have claimed sweeping victories in the latest battles.

Western experts said in Beirut it was two early to asses the results of the fighting, but said undoubted intensity showed that the military stalemate which set in after the first weeks of the war at the end of 1980 had clearly ended.

For most of 1981, the battle lines remained unchanged. Iraqi forces held rugged strips of Iranian territory and much of the fighting unlimited to static artillery duels. But Iranian counter-offensives in September and November drove the Iraqis back in two places. Since then, Iraq has been fighting to regain lost ground and this has opened up the possibility of decisive battlefield actions, the experts

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein suggested to the OIC peace panel chairman President Ahmad Sekou Toure of Guinea that Iraq was prepared to withdraw from occupied areas if talks were held simultaneously. Iran has rejected this offer.

But Iran has given no sign of changing its three conditions for peace: withdrawal of Iraqi troops punishment of the "aggressor" and payment of war indemnities. The ferocity of the latest fighting appeared to be the result of political calculations made in Baghdad and Tehran, military experts said. The Iraqis need to restore their military position to avoid pressures to make further political concessions.

# Bangladesh army stages coup d'etat

NEW DELHI, March 24 (Agencies) — The army seized control of Bangladesh early Wednesday in an apparently bloodless coup. Army chief Lt. Gen. H.M. Ershad said the coup was necessary to save the country from a corrupt civilian government and certain disaster, the official radio announced.

Ershad clamped martial law on the country of 90 million people and proclaimed himself its chief administrator and head of the government, according to Radio Bangladesh broadcasts monitored in Calcutta, India, In an address to the nation. Ershad said he had taken over "to protect the freedom of the nation. (restore) law and order and save the nation from a crisis."

The general said Bangladesh was "facing a crisis on every front - economic, political, social and law and order." Ershad, 50, said President Abdul Sattar had admitted last February when he restructured his cubinet that many of his ministers were corrupt. Yet, the general said, some of the same men were appointed to the new council of ministers.

Ershad also said during the broadcast that

he had dissolved the nation's parliament and suspended the government and constitution. He said he would appoint a council of advisors to assist him. The general said, "a new president will be elected to run the administration," and indicated that it would be someone who would take direction from the martial law administration. "A new constitution may be formed," Ershad added in the broadcast.

Deposed Bangladesh President Abdul Sattar defended the army takeover, according to All India Radio in New Delhi quoting its correspondent in the Bangladesh capital. The correspondent quoted the 76-year-old Abdul Sattar as saying in a nation-wide broadcast, that martial law had become necessary in view of the deteriorating law and order situation and the rampant corruption in the coun-

The broadcast by the deposed president came as a surprise to many who had believed that he was under house arrest. It is, however, not clear if Abdul Sattar made the broadcast of his own free will or was forced into it. observers said.

Meanwhile, there was complete calm in Dacca and other parts of Bangladesh with no resistance to the army take-over Airline passengers arriving in Calcutta from the Bangladesh capital said. The passengers, interviewed by Press Turst of India (PTI) news agency said there was no fighting in Dacca. Army units were, however, patrolling the streets and the airport was under complete army control.

The Indian radio, did not disclose the whereabouts of Abdul Sattar and the other ministers. But United News of India (UNI) news agency quoted informed sources in Calcutta as saying that Prime Minister Azizur Rahman and some other ministers were

under house arrest in Dacca. There was no independent confirmation of this.

Gen. Ershad, who has assumed the position of supreme commander of the 77,000strong Bangladesh armed Forces, accused the civilian administration of ignoring the needs of the people and national interest. .

"The ruling party had forgotten its duty

#### Steady rise to top

NEW DELHI, March 24 (R) - Bangladesh's new military rulet, Lt. Gen. Muhammad Ershad, who overthrew President Abdul Sattar in a bloodless coup Wednesday has had a steady rise to power in the army since the early 1970s.

Before Bangladesh's independence, he was in the Pakistani Army, reaching the rank of lieutenant colonel in 1969 in charge of the Third East Bengal Regiment. Gen. Ershad, 52, was in Pakistan when Bangladesh — formerly East Pakistan separated from Pakistan in 1971. He elected to return to Bangladesh along with other Bengali army officers.

In 1973, he was appointed adjutantgeneral and he was promoted to brigadier in June 1975. He was appointed deputy chief of army staff by the late President Ziaur Rahman who was head of the army when he seized power in April 1977. A year later. President Ziaur asked Gen. Ershad to succeed him as army chief.

toward the people and the country and its members, were engaged in the struggle for power. This had endangered the security and sovereignty of Bangladesh," the general said. Ershad said he had divided the country into five martial law zones and placed senior army officers in charge of each zone.

He announced the appointments of Naval Chief-of-Staff Rear-Adm. Mahabub Ali Khan and the Air-Chief-of-Staff Air-Vice Marshal Sultan Muhammad as deputy chief martial law administrators. The general said from now on, Bangladesh would be administered in accordance with the provisions of the martial law and he would be in full command and control of the defense forces.

In his 35-minute broadcast, Ershad told the nation that after the assassination of President Zia-ur-Rahman on May 30 last year, many people had asked him to take power. We desisted in the hope that the democratic system would be able to solve the nation's problems, but this has failed," he said. He said the foreign policy of Bangladesh

would remain unchanged and all treaties and agreements with foreign countries would remain valid. The new martial law administration would carry out the policy adopted by the late President Zia-ur-Rahman in regard to South Asian countries and regional coop-





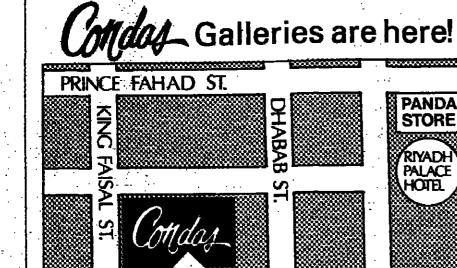
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# Agricultural self-reliance seen in 2 years -- Naif says

HARADH, March 24 (SPA) — The Kingdom is expected to achieve self-sufficiency in cereals, dates, vegetables, dairy products and meat production during the next two years. according to Interior Minister Prince Naif.

He made the statement Wednesday after touring the National Agricultural Development Company (NADC) project here. He expressed satisfaction with the advanced standard of cultivation in the large site of the Haradh project.

"The constructive steps achieved in agriculture are only a proof of the Kingdom's intensive efforts," Prince Naif said. "The Kingdom has all the potential to become an agricultural country, and the experience of the past few

#### Canadian mission due

JEDDAH, March 24 — A seven-member Canadian delegation arrives here Thursday as part of a fact-finding mission on the Kingdom's lumber market, a press release by the Canadian embassy here said Wednesday.

The Alberta lumber delegation will exhibit their products at the Jeddah Sheraton Saturday. The group, representing lumber producers of the Province of Alberta, also will hold talks with local importers. E. Lack, trade development branch assistant deputy minister of Alberta, heads the delegation.

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years affirms this fact," he added.

Farmers are aware that financial profits are not the objective of the immense efforts to boost agriculture, he said, adding that "what we are doing is a national duty." "We aim at achieving self-sufficiency to realize the power and position for our country," the prince

He arrived here earlier in the day on an inspection tour of NADC's project. He was received by Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh and other senior officials.

Muhammad Abu Butain, the project's director, welcomed Prince Naif and said that the Haradh project is only one of NADC's projects. The company will develop three other projects, including a 40,000-hectare one in Wadi Al-Dawasir. Reclamation works have already begun on part of the project. Four sites, with an estimated output of 1,500 tons of wheat, have been prepared, he said.

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AHSA, March 24 (SPA) - The first date palm symposium, dedicated by Agriculture and Water Minister Dr. Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh Tuesday, continued deliberation

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Speaking at the opening session Wednesday, Dr. Al-Sheikh said the symposium is

importance of this tree and has, therefore, prepared programs to help and encourage planters to take care of palm plantation. He hoped the symposiums would produce practical and tangible results in solving the problems of cultivation and introducing modern

### Saudi Arabia gives Austria \$850m loan

RIYADH, March 24 (AP) — Saudi Arabia has agreed to provide a 14-billion Austrian chilling (\$850 million) loan to Austria, Al -Riyadh newspaper reported Wednesday.

It quoted the Austrian ambassador to the Kingdom as saying the loan agreement was signed during a recent visit to Austria by Finance and Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail. Terms of the

loan were not given.

The paper further quoted the ambassador as saying that a bilateral committee will be formed to study possible joint projects. These include a tractor assembly plant in Saudi Arabia, supply of modern heavy-duty Austrian trucks and establishment of an equestrian school in the Kingdom, according to the report.

## Symposium discusses date planting

Wednesday on modern methods for date plantation and pollination.

Studies and research papers presented on the second of the three-day symposium also dealt with the problems of expanding date farms and the mechanization of its planta-tion. The symposium is organized by the Eastern Province's King Faisal University and held at the agricultural and veterinary research training center here.

Experts from 17 Arab, Islamic and foreign countries are taking part in the symposium, besides professors and date palm experts from the Kingdom's universities and institu-

held in a country considered one of the foremost in growing palms of most famous qualities. The Saudi farmer considers it as part of his heritage, he said, adding that dates provide a significant agricultural yield in the Kingdom. There are more than nine million palm trees in the country, he said.

Referring to the annual yield, the minister said the Kingdom produces 300,000 tons of dates every year, of which a major portion is consumed locally and the rest is exported to neighboring countries. He said he feels happy to see new farms planted with new qualities of palm trees and using modern methods of pla-

Dr. Al-Sheikh said the Kingdom realizes the

JEDDAH, March 24 — In a concrete action to supply \$48 million of food grain to ten drought-striken Sahel countries, the Organization of the Islamic Conference is launching 14 international tenders simultaneously within the coming few days through the Islamic Development Bank. ...

Bidders will be asked to supply 37,000 tons of various types of rice, 8,000 tons of hard wheat, 23,000 tons of white sorghum, 12,000 tons of yellow sorgham and 8,000 tons of two types of maize. These will go to Cape-Verde, Senegal, Gambia, Mauritania, Guinea, Guinea-Bissao, Mali. Upper-Volta, Niger

and Chad. Shipments of the supplies should be deli-

vered to the capital concerned before July 1, 1982. Tenders will be received at the Islamic Secretariat here until April 29, 1982 and will be opened on May 1, 1982.

Saudi Arabia has already dispatched its \$15 million portion of the overall aid decided by the Taif Islamic summit in January, 1981. The Saudi aid was shipped directly to the countries concerned.

Only suppliers not included in the Arab. Boycott list are eligible to participate in the tender. Also South African suppliers shall not be eligible to participate. Cereals to be supplied must be imported from outside the ten Sahel countries and must not originate in South Africa or Israel; or be shipped on a

vessel flying the flag of South Africa or Israel, or any country on the Arab Boycott list. Tenders will be required to quote a firm price for every shipment, type of cereal and the Sahei country concerned.

#### Cooperation reviewed

TUNIS, March 24 (SPA) - Industry and Electricity Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosaibi met Tuesday Tunisian Prime Minister Muhammad Mazali and Foreign Minister Saeed Ess-

The meetings reviewed cooperation between the two countries with special attention to industrial cooperation. Algosaibi arrived here Monday on a several days' visit to Tuni-

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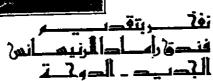
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#### On Filipino Muslims' problem

# Marcos holds meetings with Chatti, Harakan

JEDDAH, March 24 (SPA) — President Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines met with Habib Chatti, secretary general of the Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC), here Wednesday.

Following the meeting, Chatti said that dis-cussions with President Marcos centered on the conditions of Muslims in the southern Philippines, the implementation of the Tripoli accord and bringing closer the views of the Philippine government and the Moro National Liberation Front. He added that the president welcomed OIC efforts in finding a solution for the issue.

Meanwhile, President Marcos held a meeting with Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, secretary general of the Muslim World League, attended by Sheikh Ali Mukhtar, assistant secretary general of the World Higher Council for Mosques.

Harakan said after the meeting that talks dealt with the affairs of Muslims in the Philippines and what the MWL can do in regard to the spread of the Islamic teaching, preparation of preachers, establishment of



INDECOM P.O. Box: 2838, Jeddah Tel: (02) 682-38-45/46 Tix: 403146 IDCJED SJ. for the MWL in that country. He confirmed that the Filipino leader responded to all requests and the MWL will now get busy to send a delegation to Manila to complete the topics discussed with the president.

Governor of Makkah Prince Majed Wednesday held a luncheon party at Jeddah water tower, in honor of President Marcos and his delegation. Those present included Sheikh Hisham Nazer, minister of planning, who is acting as minister-in-waiting, and a number of high-ranking officials.

Meanwhile, the Philippines and Saudi Arabia signed Tuesday night an air agreement at the royal palace in Jeddah where President Marcos and his party returned after a three-day official visit to Riyadh.

Sheikh Kamel Sindi, assistant to the minister of defense and aviation for civil aviation, signed for the Kingdom. The agreement was signed, on behalf of the Philippine government, by First Lady Imelda Romualdez Marcos, minister of human settlements and governor of Metro Manila.

Toman Cruz, chairman of Philippine Airlines, said the bilateral accord will enable his country's flag carrier to initially operate three wide-body jet services between Manila and Dhahran in June. Saudia will operate an equal number of flights to the Philippines. PAL planes to operate its Saudi Arabian services every Wednesday, Thursday and Sun-

Cruz said that PAL's new route is an integral part of its planes to raise revenues and make a profit this year. The growing traffic in Saudi Arabia may enable PAL to fly daily to the Kingdom within the next two

#### (3 committees set up to pursue addiction perils

MADINAH, March 24 (SPA) - The three committees of the World Islamic Conference on intoxicants and narcotics resumed their deliberations here Wedne-

The committees studied papers submitted by the member states and other concemed circles. Meanwhile, a draft committee was formed, comprising Dr. Akram Al-Umri, head of the department of higher studies at the university; Dr. Muhammad ibn Homoud Al-Waeli, dean of the faculty of Sharia; Dr. Ibrahim Imam, head of the department of information at the college of religious teaching: Dr. Ali Nasser Faqib, dean of libraries and some other members of the three sub-committees.

The committee will prepare resolutions and recommendations which will be placed before the conference at its closing session to be held Thursday.

The three-day conference had started its deliberations Tuesday. According to Sheikh Saleh Al-Mazrou', moderator of the first committee, a review was made of the factors which lead to the spread of intoxicants in the Islamic societies.

Meanwhile, Sheikh Abdul Aziz Al-Musannad, chairman of anti-narcotics committee, stated that it discussed all matters concerning narcotics, saying that the debate centered on the documentation of the views before giving them a final shape and placing them before the committee.

The third committee, headed by Sheikh Abu Bakr Al-Jazaeri, discussed the possible ways of combating smoking.

#### Chemists to hold national conference

JEDDAH, March 24 (SPA) - Dr. Abdullah Nassif, rector of King Abdul Aziz University, opened the first national conference of chemists Wednesday, organized by the university to adopt resolutions for the solution of problems in the field of chemistry.

The inauguration was attended by Dr. Abdul Aziz Khoja, information undersecretary; Dr. Reda Ubaid, director general of the national center for science and technology;

#### Patrol security officers graduate

RIYADH, March 24 (SPA) - The seventh class of security patrols graduated from the Police Training Institute here Wednesday under the auspices of Public Security Director Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh. The group, which comprised 88 officers, had taken a one-year course on police studies, religious, cultural and conduct subjects.

Lt. Gen. Muhammad ibn Ayesh Al-Mutairi, Riyadh police director, said that the group's graduation is part of a general training program adopted by the police directorate to improve the skills of security men.

#### IDB, Freetown view ties

JEDDAH, March 24 (SPA) - President of Islamic Development Bank (IDB) Dr. Ahmad Muhammad Ali met Tuesday with Sierra Leone's Education Minister Abdul Karim Karoom, currently visiting the King-

The meeting reviewed the relations between the IDB and Sierra Leone and the bank's assistance for Islamic and Arabic schools in

### Bangladesh national day to be noted

By Staff Writer

JEDDAH, March 24 - The Bangladesh embassy will celebrate the national and independence day on March 26 in a simple flag

hoisting ceremony in the morning at the chancery premises. In the afternoon, a sports competition by the students of the Bangladesh embassy school will be organised.

Dr. Abdul Iliah Banajah, dean of the faculty of science, highlighted the importance of chemistry in life, while Dr. Abdul Ghani Hamza, secretary general of the conference spoke about the purpose of holding the conference. He was followed by Dr. Ubaid, who lectured on the importance of the center and the aims it is striving realize.

In a separate development, a seminar was held at Makkah's Ummul Qura University Tuesday, on the dimensions of cultural, educational and social cooperation among the Arab Gulf states. After brief speeches by Dr. Rashed Al-Rajeh, university's vice-president and Dr. Nasser Al-Saleh, associate professor in the department of geography, Sheikh Abdullah Bishara, secretary general of the Gulf Cooperation Council, spoke about the political and economic dimensions of the council's efforts in realizing unity.

#### KAU senate views faculty for women

RIYADH, March 24 (SPA) - Minister of Higher Education Sheikh Hassan Al-Sheikh Wednesday chaired a meeting of the senate of King Abdul Aziz University to discuss a number of important topics.

The topics discussed included the establishment of a faculty for women's university studies, a university college in Madinah and the approval of appointment of seven deans in different colleges and faculties.

The senate also discussed amendment of some departments' activities at the faculty of engineering and medicine, besides several administrative and financial matters.

Those attending included Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani, information minister; Dr. Abdullah Nassif, rector of KAU: Dr. Abdullah Al-Thunayan, vice-rector; and several university deans.

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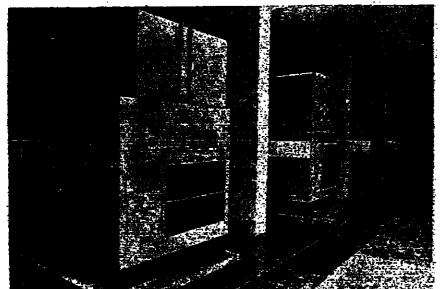
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# Dacca returns captured general to New Delhi

DACCA, March 24 (AP) - An Indian Army major and some of his men were captured by Bangladesh troops in an armed clash March 17 in the Chittagong hill tracts area about 10 kms from the border with India, the

#### 5 die in grenade attack

QUETTA, March 24 (AP) - A grenade attack on a home in the remote village of Mirmir near Turbat in southwestern Pakistan by a group of unidentified persons killed five of the residents and seriously wounded the sixth, official sources said Tuesday.

They said the village is about eight kms east of the Iranian-border and 26 kms from Turbat, where a divisional headquarters of Baluchistan province is located.

### U.S. donates \$40m to U.N.

UNITED NATIONS, March 24 (AP) -U.S. Ambassador Jeane J. Kirkpatrick on Tuesday handed U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar two checks totaling more than \$40 million for U.N. peacekeeping in southern Lebanon and aiding Palestinian

A check for \$24 million covered the American share of the costs of maintaining the U.N. Interim Force in Lebanon during its current six-month mandate, ending June 19. With the impending 1,000-man increase of the 6.000-member force, total UNIFIL costs for the period are estimated at about \$90 English-daily! New Nation reported Tuesday. Bangladesh border security force sources said India suffered three deaths and a Bangladesh soldier was killed, the daily reported. Confirmation was not availale from Bangladesh authorities. The independent daily said the captured soldiers have been returned to India after a meeting between border security officials from both sides last week near the scene in the Bengal area.

It said the incident occurred after a group of Indian soldiers, including the captured, infiltrated the area, apparently on a mission in support of insurgents operating out of sanctuaries in the border area of India. The insurgents are fighting the Dacca government for

The second check for \$16 million was a partial payment of the \$67 million the United States has pledged this year to the financially hard-pressed U.N. Relief and Works Agency for Palestinian refugees in the near east

The agency has been scrambling to collect voluntary contributions to cover this year's total budget. UNRWA runs .. a school system with an enrollment 339,000 pupils in Jordan, Syria, Lebanon and the Israeli-occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip. It also provides food and medical relief to needy Palestin-

#### Seeking Western aid

# Afghan fighters visit Paris

PARIS, March 24 (AP) - Five anti-Soviet Afghan rebel leaders asked for Western aid Tuesday in their fight against Soviet troops, which they said are resorting increasingly to raids on rural villages.

The five, along with an official of the underground broadcasting operation radio Free Kabul, met for about an hour with Robert Lion, an aide to Premier Pierre Mauroy. Lion reiterated France's opposition to the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan, officials

At a news conference Tuesday afternoon, the rebel leaders said Soviet troops were conducting surprise raids, searches and "police.

#### Man admits bid to smuggle helicopters to Libya

DALLAS, March 24 (AP) - A 34-yearold California man Tuesday admitted conspiring to smuggle 15 armed Cobra helicopters from Texas to Libya and some other Arab

Carl Michael Kulungian, head of a Los Angeles employment agency, was arrested March 6 in Amarillo, Texas, along with Spanish businessman Alfonso Lopez Quesare and Paulo Marcucci of Italy. A government indictment said the trio was part of a seven-man ring that planued the smuggling operation. The indictment charges the seven men with violating the U.S. Neutrality Act.

Kulungian entered a guilty plea before Dis-trict Judge Robert Porter during a bond hearing. Porter said Marcucci should continue to be held without bond and he reduced Quesare's bond to \$1 million but said Quesare would not be allowed to leave the United

actions' against villagers in the rugged countryside because they are unable to control the

area on a regular basis. They also said the Soviets have been drafting all physically able men, regardless of age, to try to rebuild the desertion-riddled Afghan Army. Despite the effort, the army numbers about only 25,000-30,000 troops: compared to its regular strength of 80,000 in 1978, the fighters said. They said they hoped to obtain material and financial aid during their month-long tour of Europe.

The six fighters are scheduled to address the European parliament in Strasbourg, France, in mid-April.

States without a court hearing.

Kulungian, Quesare and Marcucci were arrested in an Amarillo hotel after U.S. customs agents posed as representatives of Bell Helicopter Textron Co. to infiltrate the ring. the indictment said.

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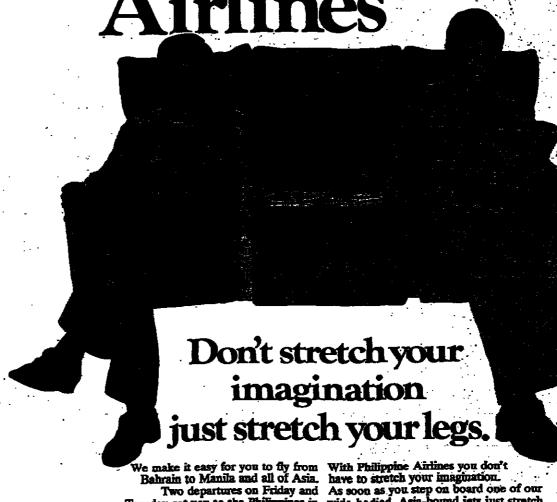
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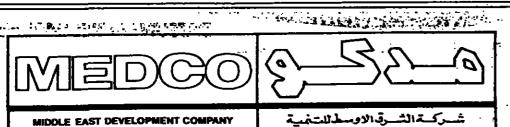
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Mubarak says

# Egypt won't cede inch of territory to Israelis

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15 points along the 230-kms stretch Sinai

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Mubarak said Egypt would not become

wealthy overnight after Israel completed its

withdrawal from Sinai April 25, the newspa-

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crossing China's Great Wall... After April 25,

we will need more work and additional effo-

rts to increase production," the 53-year-old

sula next month.

CAIRO, March 24 (R) — President Hosni Mubarak was quoted Wednesday by Cairo newspapers as saying Egypt would not cede a single mch of its territory as a result of demarcation disputes with Israel.

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But the newspapers also cited him as telling parliamentarians of the ruling National Democratic Party (NDP) that the two countries were obliged to go to arbitration over any dispute between them. The papers quoted Mubarak as saying he had sent his special envoy Osma El-Baz to Israel "to convince them of the need to boost the peace process and that the peace treaty with them stipulates mediation or arbitration to settle any dispute between us...we try and do hope to reach an agreement with them."

But he also said. We cannot afford to cede a single inch of our territory. There are no

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BEIRUT, (R) — Khaled Al-Hassan, a prominent Palestinian leader, has called on the Arabs to undertake some initiative toward resolving the Middle East crisis.

PESHAWAR, (R) — Police used tear gas and baton charges Wednesday to break up demonstrations by over 25,000 striking school teachers in the latest unrest over bans imposed by the Pakistan government on political and other gatherings.

RABAT, (R) — King Hassan of Morocco is sending six special envoys to member states of the Organization of African Unity (OAU) with proposals to avert a split in the organization, an official source has said.





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ISTANBUL, March 24 (AP) — Nazli Ilicak, Turkey's leading rightist journalist, cannot appeal a three-month jail term meted out against her by a military court Tuesday, a spokesman for her newspaper said Wednesday.

day.

Zafer Atay, spokesman for Tercuman, which has a nationwide circulation of about half a million copies, noted that under a decree enacted by the ruling military National Security Council recently prison terms of less than six months cannot be appealed. The regulation was imposed to stem what was considered a long appeals process as security forces rounded up thousands of suspected rightist and leftist activists in the wake of the September 1980 military coup.

Will hit Iraqi exports

# Lebanon oil pipeline blasted

BEIRUT, March 24 (AP) — A stateowned pipeline moving Iraqi oil to north Lebanon's oil port of Tripoli was blown up and set aftre Wednesday for the second time since the tube was reactivated last January, a police spokesman reported.

Preliminary investigation suggested the pipeline was blasted by a rocket fired by unknown terrorists at the village of Tell Abbas, which is 35 kilometers north of Tripoli and seven kilometers south of the Syrian border, the spokesman said. He declined to be identified by name in compliance with Lebanese government rules.

He said fire engines were dispatched from Tripoli to the scene of the mid-morning blast to try to quench the blaze that forced a temporary shutdown of the pipeline which has a capacity of 500,000 barrels a day. The pipeline was rocketed Jan. 3, a day after it was reactivated to help Iraq resume oil exports to Western Europe and the Far East through Mediterranean terminals in Lebanon, Syria and Turkey.

Iraq's main oil terminals on the northern flank of the Gulf have been shut down by the war with Iran since Sept. 1980. The spokesman was unable to determine whether the pipeline blast was part of a terrorist war against Iraq in Lebanon or an attempt to force the Tripoli-based oil refinery of the Lebanese government pay protection money.

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NEW DELHI, March 24 (AFP) — Fore-

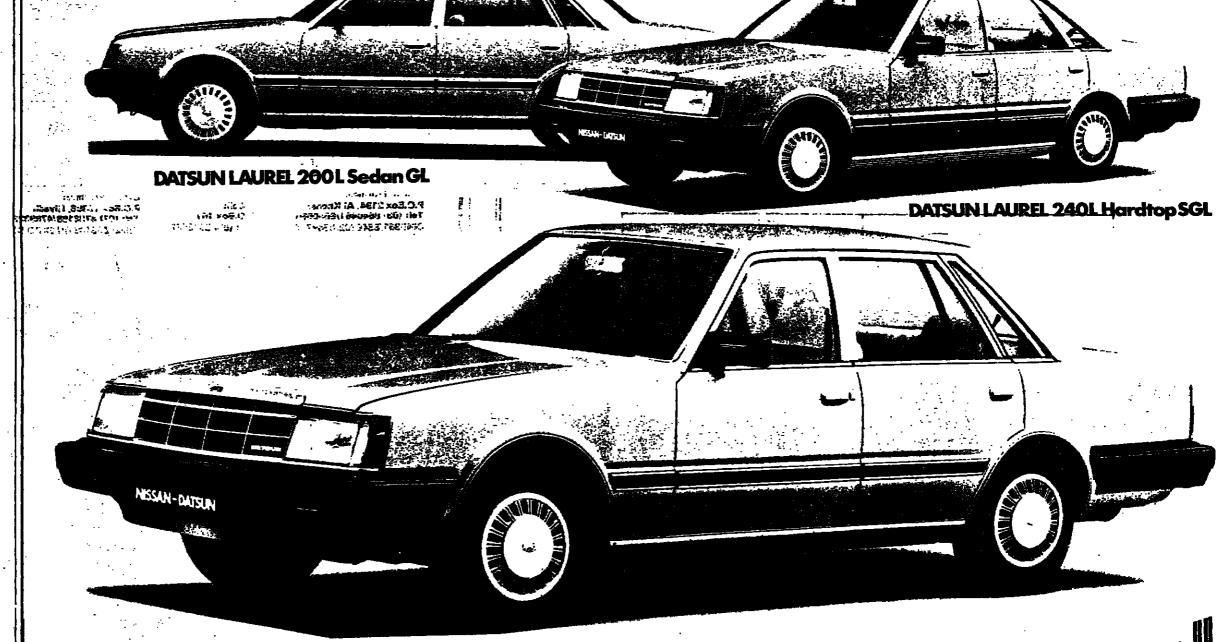
NEW DELHI, March 24 (AFP) — Foreign Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao Wednesday described as "positive" Pakistani President Muhammad Zia ul-Haq's recent statement in favor of improved relations with India, saying it could lead to the resumption of postponed talks on a no-war pact between the two countries.

Rao, who was replying to an opposition motion on the "indefinite" postponement of the proposed official-level pact talks in the upper house of parliament, also called "positive" Islamabad's decision to drop the reference to Kashmir made by the Pakistani delegate to the Human Rights Commission in

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He said those two developments were encouraging and would pave the way for resumption of the talks.

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#### ISRAEL'S AIM

Israel's parliament failed to achieve a decisive result on the matter of confidence in Menahem Begin's government, with the votes splitting an even 58 for 58. That left the ball in the government's court, and it decided, by 12 for and 8 against, on staying in power. Begin's stay is therefore indefinite.

Those who brought the government so near to outright defeat were themselves diversely motivated. Some registered their protest against Begin's policies on the occupied West Bank. Others sought through the vote to tear up the Camp David agreements and prevent the return of Sinai to Egypt, which is due to take place in exactly one month's time.

In the West Bank and Gaza, the civil uprising is still in full swing. The major and immediate demand of the Palestinians is the dissolution of the so-called "civilian administration." which has been trying, through its shoddy collection of vagabonds and collaborators to establish "village leagues" as an "alternative" to the elected leadership of the Palestinian people. The Israeli aim is of course the destruction of the Palestinian national identity in its last stronghold on Palestinian soil in the West Bank and Gaza.

The U.N. Security Council has now declared it wants to look into the situation in the West Bank and Gaza - at a time when Israel, contrary to all international law and norm, has more or less declared its intention to annex them. The Arab world however, judging from the bitter experience of Jerusalem and the Golan, cannot put much store by the Security Council's ability to deal with the crisis, and fears that a deal between the great powers on the issue may have already

#### Saudi Arabian press review

The emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council to discuss the deteriorating situation in the West Bank and the fruitful outcome of Philippine President Marcos' visit to the Kingdom were the main topics for editorial comment in Wednesday's newspapers.

Al-Jazirah urged the Security Council to exercise its legal authority and international duty for curbing the repeated aggressions of Israel and its rude challenges to the U.N. charters and resolutions, human rights and international laws.

"Israel has become the most dangerous source threatening the peace of the Mideast region and the whole world," the paper noted.

It hailed the valiant struggle of the Arab Palestinian people against Israel's barbaric actions in the occupied Arab lands, ignoring The Hague and Geneva agreements on the treatment of prisoners of war and people under occu-

pation. "The Security Council should initiate decisive measures for safeguarding the lives of Palestinian people, who are resisting oppression and Zionist designs and fighting for their legitimate rights, including the right to establish an independent state on

their own homeland," it added.

Al-Madinah praised the heroic stance of the Palestinian people in the occupied Arab lands, which has attracted worldwide attention and enhanced global understanding of their just causes and determination to achieve their legitimate rights through great sac-

"The brave Palestinian resistance against the Zionist occupation forces is serving a fitting reply to the oppressive policy of Israeli authorities backed by the strongest power in the world," the paper observed.

On the same subject, Al -Bilad said, "Arab demonstrations in the occupied lands have drawn the attention of political and military circles all over the world reflecting new dimensions of the Arab man's solid determination to confront all the designs of the Zionist enemy in the region.

Okaz dealt with the constructive outcome of the talks detween Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd for further strengthening of bilateral relations.

"The talks, which covered a number of issues of mutual concern, have been very useful to reach a practical solution ensuring peace and security to the Muslims n southern Philippines and enabling them to raise their standard of living through the advanced educational institutions, religious and Quranic schools," the paper

It stressed that the Kingdom in holy places and supporter of the oppressed Muslims everywhere, is pleased to see the Philippine government's positive response to the demands of the Muslims in the south, "This will greatly belp in enhancing spheres of cooperation not only between Philippines and Saudi Arabia, but also with other Islamic states" the paper added.

# Soviets want to boost military ties with India

A powerful Soviet military delegation has completed a week's visit here, leaving the impression that Moscow is keen to continue as the major arms supplier to a less-than-eager India.

That picture emerged from official statements, local news reports and comments of Indian officials and foreign diplomats as Marshal Dmitri F, Ustinov, the Soviet defense minister, three deputy ministers and 30 other generals departed Saturday for Moscow.

The 73-year-old marshal and Soviet Politburgan member, in a departure statement, voiced "deep satisfaction" over his talks with Prime Minister Indira Gandhi and other Indian officials.

An Indian government statement summarizing the March 15-20 visit said Ustinov had "assured the Indian side about the Soviet desire to continue and strengthen this cooperation ... in the field of supply of defense equipment by the Soviet Union and in the development of defense production industry in

The visit produced no announcement of new arms deliveries or production agreement, however, and Indian officials said the talks had not been that concrete. They reminded reporters that Ustinov was constantly on the road, visiting not only military bases but also famous tourist sites such as the Taj

Mahal, allowing little time for negotiations.

But G.K. Reddy, the usually authoritative national correspondent of the *Hindu* newspaper, reported that two major Soviet concessions had emerged - that Moscow is ready to sell on acceptable terms the latest jets, tanks and missile systems without forcing India, as in the past, to wait a generation, and that it was assured prompt delivery of spare parts for older Soviet weaponary already in

The last announced major Indian-Soviet arms deal, in 1980, provided India \$1.63 billion worth of planes, tanks and warships on easy credit and at prices much cheaper than in the West. In Bombay, Ustinov visited one of the Soviet missile destroyers received under that agreement.

Recently, India has sought to diversify its sources of military hardware with a \$2 billion jet plane deal with Britain, West German submarines and ongoing negotiations with France for advanced Mirage

There have been suggestions that Ustinov may have hoped to stall the Mirage deal with the offer of a MiG-27 production line to India. Or that his visit could help India pry the best possible terms from France, particularly on a question all-important to Indian planners — the transfer of technology to enable eventual home production of Mirages.

-Soviet willingness to transfer technology has bolstered Moscow's major supply role here, Indian officials say.

Mrs. Gandhi's government has been showing increasing sensitivity about being regarded in the West and among fellow Third World countries as a Soviet ally. Her reluctance to criticize openly the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan originally contributed to that image.
-Diplomats and reporters have recently noticed

apparent Indian attempts to maintain a certain distance from Moscow. Ever since Soviet troops entered Afghanistan, Mrs. Gandhi has managed to put off accepting Soviet invitations to visit the Soviet Union. (AP)

For the same reason, the three-day general strike, which began last Friday, was proclaimed individually by each local council. A week earlier Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon had banned the National Guidance Committee, which used to coordinate opposition in the West Bank and Gaza Strip at the behest of the Palestine Liberation

The committee had been dormant for the best part of two years, immobilized by deportations, car bombings, and restrictions on the movement of political leaders. But Sharon's order meant that any collective action by the men identified as committee members could bring prosecution, prison or ban-

The mayors got the message and adapted their tactics. Like Ibrahim Tawil, they are however still fighting the loug-term battle, against civilian administration, against the autonomy offered by the Camp David Peace, and above all against the Israeli occupation. It is no accident that Tawil came to the forefront with a losing campaign against Jew-

The mayors will play their part in the most critical power struggle the West Bank has known since it

son's appointment last November, and by the strategy he had pursued ever since. Milson's approach is to outflank the PLO, which he claims is not synonymous with "the Palestinians", by fostering an alternative leadership among the supposedly silent majority of West Bankers, the neglected 70 percent of the population who live in villages and subsist on peasant agriculture and day labor. His policy has made indisputable headway in the

Hebron region, south of Jerusalem, where local leader - Mustapha Dudeen was already seeking ways to cooperate with Israel as the de facto ruler. But the four other "village leagues" are far less impressive, with third-rank leaders who are challenged within their communities.

Sharon and Milson have applied the stick and carrot ruthlessly. Funds from the joint Jordanian-PLO Steadfastness Committee no longer reach the municipalities, which are systematically denied planning permission for development projects. At the same time Israeli money is being pumped into the villages through the leagues - the prime minister recently promised Dudeen an extra \$24 million. to shore up the policy's credibility.

It is an appeal to the head and the pocket, not to

the heart. The villagers have been given to understand that the best way to get official permits, whether for a family reunion or driving a tractor, is through the leagues. Similar hints have even been

ground in U.S. munities which have approved it voted for Reagan

in the 1980 election. Asked about administration statements that states and the public should stay out of foreign policy-making, Miss Roche replied: "We've left

this problem to experts for 35 years, and all we've gotten is more weapons." The administration argues the United States is outgunted by the Soviet Union in several

categories, including medium-range missiles in Europe and land-based intercontinental missiles. Officials say Moscow, which announced last week a freeze on deploying mobile SS-20 missiles

west of the Ural Mountains, now has 300 of them in place, all targeted on Europe or able to be shifted there quickly, plus a similar number of older mis-The Western allies do not plan to begin deploy-

ment of comparable weapons in Europe until latenext year. Freeze supporters contend that the important consideration is not a possible regional advantage for Moscow in Europe or elsewhere but the worldwide U.S.-Soviet nuclear balance. And here, they say, there is rough equivalence,

with the Soviet advantage in Europe and in heavy land-based missiles offset by a U.S. lead in warheads and in almost undetectable submarines carrying nuclear missiles.

Senator Kennedy accused the administration of misreading the freeze resolution he introduced two weeks ago with Republican Senator Mark Hatfield of Oregon as chief co-sponsor. If a mutual and worldwide freeze were adopted, he said, "the United States would have 9,000 strategic nuclear warheads and the Soviet Union would have 7,000."

Ramallah village league and his son were assasinated in November, Sharon responded by training 200 bodyguards and arming them with Uzi submachine guns. Dudeen now parades his own militia. Milson argued in an interview with The Jerusalem Post last month that Israel must fight the PLO polit-

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ically as well as militarily. But the positive half of his strategy, as propagated in commentary, was to give Jordan "at least some legitimation from within the territories" to encourage King Hussein to defy the inter-Arab consensus, which recognized the PLO as the Pales-

tinians' only legitimate representative, and negotiate a compromise with Israel. Amman rejected the role Milson assigned to it. not least because the professor's efforts were accompanied by a settlement campaign that seemed

to rule out any compromise acceptable to even the most moderate Arab leader. Jordanian Prime Minister Mudar Badran decreed that West Bankers collaborating with the village leagues would forfeit their land and be tried for treason. Jordan has much to give and much to withhold.

Most West Bank families have kinship and business interests across the river, thousands still draw salaries and pensions from Amman. The Fordanian message, reinforced by television and radio, and the Israeli reaction has forced the 800,000 West Bankers to make choices. (ONS)

# TODAY NEHESTORY

Today is Thursday, March 25th, the 84th day of 1982. There are 281 days left in the year. Highlights in history on this date: 1634 - British colonists under Lord Baltimore

reach Maryland in North America. 1815 — Austria, Britain, Prussia and Russia form new alliance against Napoleon Bonaparte to

maintain established order in Europe. 1883 - Revolution breaks out in Haiti. 1909 - Press censorship is imposed in Egypt to

curb nationalists. 1941 — Yugoslavia joins Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance in World War II.

1962 - France recalls its ambassador to the Soviet Union in protest against Soviet recognition of rebel government in Algeria.

1966 - Five climbers become first to reach summit of Mount Eiger in Swiss Alps. 1969 - Pakistan's President Ayub Khan turns

over power to military after 11 years of leader-1976 - The United States vetos resolution in the U.N. Security Council deploring Israel's polic-

ies in Jerusalem and occupied areas on the West Bank of Jordan River. 1961 — U.S. President Ronald Reagan reaffi-

rms role of Secretary of State Alexander Haig as his chief foreign affairs adviser.

#### Thought for today:

One great use of words is to hide our thoughts - Voltaire, French poet and writer.



#### West Bank mayors fight against autonomy, Israeli occupation tug-of-war between Israel, Jordan and the PLO. The present showdown was provoked by Mil-By A Special Correspondent dropped to townspeople. When the chairman of the

Until last Thursday when the Israeli authorities dismissed him and his entire council, Ibrahim Tawil was best known as the West Bank mayor who was not blown up in June, 1980. Car bombs, which maimed his colleagues of Nablus and Ramallah, blinded a police sapper in his stead.

Tawil, a phamacist in his late 30s with none of the charisma of Bassam Shaka or Karim Khalaf, is an unlikely martyr. Receiving well-wishers in his unassuming bungalow on the edge of El Birch a couple of hours after he had been escorted out of his town hall, he seemed a diminished figure, short, dark and

The stubborn defiance toward Israeli civilian administrator Professor Menahem Milson was still there. Tawil had no regrets. Even though he now knew the consequences, he would still refuse an invitation to discuss municipal business with the professor. The civilian administration was a device for perpetuating the occupation, and Tawil would not give it legitimacy.

Yet there was caution too. Tawil did not call a strike in El Bireh, a town of 25,000 overshadowed by its more prosperous neighbor Ramallah. The shopkeepers hauled down their shutters without needing orders from above.

to Amman. The West Bank mayors have learned a lesson from the expulsion of Fahd Kawassmeh of Hebron and Muhammad Hassan Milhem of Halhoul two years ago. Resistance yes, blood and thunder no.

Organization.

ish settlement on El Bireh land.

was occupied by Israel in the 1967 war, a triangular

# Anti-nuclear movement gaining

By Jeffrey Antevil

**WASHINGTON** --

Grass roots campaigning for a nuclear freeze is quietly spreading in the United States, threatening to grow into a powerful protest movement. Administration officials admit they are worned that anti-nuclear sentiment could rise to the intensity of President Marcos and King the anti-Vietnam campaign that wracked America in the late 1960s and early 1970s. President Reagan now faces perhaps the most

serious challenge to his planned nuclear arms buildup not from Moscow but from town halls, state legislatures and voting booths across the United States. If successful, officials say, the campaign would lock in place a situation of Soviet superiority while eliminating any incentive for Moscow to agree to reduce existing arsenals.

This is strenuously disputed by supporters of the freeze who claim the administration's stand is a product of paranoia, that the Russians in fact have no superiority, and that there has never been a better time to halt the nuclear arms race. Like the anti-nuclear campaign which has

its capacity as a servant of the two emerged as a powerful force in several West European countries, the American movement seeks a worldwide moratorium on nuclear weapons production, testing and deployment. Congressman Edward Markey, a leading suppor-

ter, believes Secretary of State Alexander Haig made a serious error in describing the freeze as "not only bad defense and security policy but bad arms control policy."

"The State Department should have somebody

manning the U.S. desk," the Massachusetts Demo-

crat said. "They don't realize that this is going to be the most major U.S. movement since the '60s. By the end of the spring there are going to be demonstrations like those in Europe." For now, the movement is operating on a less

dramatic level - in Congress and state legislatures, town meetings and polling stations from Maine to California. Aides to Democratic Senator Edward Kennedy of Massachusetts said a resolution he has co-sponsored calling for an immediate "verifiable and mutual freeze" on nuclear weapons already has more than 170 sponsors in Congress. The aides said they do not plan to bring the

resolution to a vote until they are confident of passage. Barbara Roche, co-director of the private nuclear weapons freeze clearing-house established three months ago in St. Louis, Missouri, to coordinate the drive, gives the following count on freeze resolutions elsewhere: - Approved by state legislatures in Connecticut,

Maine, Massachusetts, Minesota, Oregon and Vermont and by one house of the New York, Kansas and Wisconsin legislature. -On the ballot for statewide referenda next November in California, Michigan, New Jersey and

Delaware as a result of petition drives which produced more than a million signatures. - Endorsed by 23 city councils and seven county councils in about a dozen states. - Passed by a total of more than 200 town meet-

ings, gatherings of citizens normally devoted to mundane local matters, in five New England states. Freeze supporters include moderates and conservatives as well as liberals and anti-war leftists. Movement spokesmen say many of the local com-

#### His gang roamed freely, killing, kidnapping

# wspaper account led to dacoit chief's downfall

By Stuart Aperbach

NEW DELHI, (LAT) - A notorious north Indian bandit chief committed crime after crime without being caught, but recently he went too far. He embarrassed government officials and police by openly holding court in his home village while a newspaper reporter took notes. The resulting front-page publicity sealed his fate

According to the stories, it was a triumphal homecoming for Chhabiram, a 42-year-old bandit chief of the Jesse James stripe whom police seemingly never could find. He accepted the adulation of his people, settled village disputes, and organized a poetry read-

But the furor that followed the newspaper stories galvanized the police into action as the price on his head never had. They mounted a military-style assault and chased Chhabiram and his gang of dacoits, as they are known in India, through the deep ravines of the rugged Chambal Valley that for 500 years has provided a haven for bandits.

Chhabiram was cornered and killed after a two-week chase. He and 12 of his gang were gunned down in a 90-minute battle involving, according to reports received here, 50 grenades tossed by the attacking police and a fire fight with both sides using light machine guns. As an object lesson, the police displayed

the 13 bodies tied to poles stuck in the ground in the main square of Maipuri, a town just 7 miles from the village of Harnagarpur, where Chhabiram had played conquering hero just a month earlier.

Chhabiram was one of three major dacoit chiefs whose gangs roam apparently at will, killing and kidnapping, in the wild west set-ting of the Chambal Valley, less than 200 miles from India's capital and a short drive from its most famous tourist attraction, the Tai Mahal.

Dacoits have become folk heros in that part of India - combinations of Robin Hood. Jesse James and Bonnie and Clyde — who generally are protected by villagers and reportedly courted by local politicians.

Mostly low-caste Hindus, they rob the rich and keep the untouchables in their place. Their escapades have become legends as they are recounted in exaggerated fashion in popular magazines and "Curry Westerns" turned out by the Bombay film studios.

Boys in poor villages around the Chambal, where farmers barely scratch out a living from the harsh land, would rather be dacoits than policemen. For one thing, it pays better. Even the girls have their dacoit idol —

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tions, particularly of a local aspect. It

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25-year-old Phoolan Devi, who on Valen-

dered one of her lovers and beaten and raped

As with most reports of dacoits, it is hard to separate fact from fiction with Phoolan Devi. She is blamed for 30 killings in the past 18 months. The popular press describes her as a beautiful bandit, but people who have seen Phoolan Devi say she is short and squat and has a pock-marked face. Police have no pictures of her.

men in the Village of Behmal, reportedly

purely for revenge. According to Hindustan

Times Editor Khushwant Singh, who visited

Behmal earlier this year, the men had mur-

What is important, however, is that more than a year after the massacre she has not been caught despite a massive police hunt. Moreover, residents of Behmal still refuse to tell police exactly what happened or why Phoolan Devi attacked the men there. A code of silence as strict as the Mafia's appears to

If Phoolan Devi is the queen of the dacoits, the reigning and undisputed king now that Chhabiram has been killed is Malkhan, 38, who is reported to swagger around the Chambal Valley wearing a police uniform bearing a superintendent's insignia.

He and his gang, who operate from the unmapped, twisting ravines and cross the Chambal River to prey on rich farmers and landowners, are blamed for more than 100 kidnappings and murders. Like Robin Hood.

supply food and shelter to his gang.

It is this support from the villagers, along

with reputed protection from politicians and payoffs to police, that allow dacoits to operate so freely. The roads twisting north from Agra, the site of the Taj Mahal, to Corbett National Park, a popular tourist attraction, are considered unsafe at night because of the dacoit menace.

It is hard to prove the political payoffs, but the charges surface frequently in India's parliament and in state assemblies. One smalltime dacoit was captured by police in New Delhi recently while staying at the home of a minor official of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's ruling Congress-I Party.

Honest police officials say that it is the dacoits' popularity with villagers and their ability to deliver large blocs of votes that make them important to local politicians.

It was clear, however, that Chhabiram had

gone beyond the pale and that no political friends could help him once Niraj Roy, a reporter with the Indian Express, tracked him in February to his village of Harnagarpur. According to Roy's front-page story. thousands of people came to meet "Netaji, as Chhabiram was called. Although he was dressed in simple peasant costume, his followers wore police uniforms and carried a

automatic rifles, carbines and grenades. 'Chhabiram embraced me with a smile,"

veritable arsenal of weapons, including

Chhabiram was quoted as adding, some-what prophetically, "if I say anything, you will write it, and the government will create more problems for us. No, I have nothing to say. You may stay with us for a while, though."

That was Chhabiram's undoing. Vishwanath Pratap Singh, the chief minister of Uttar Pradesh, the state where Chhabiram had operated with impunity for years and where he was charged in more than 150 cases of murder and banditry, ordered a police dragnet the likes of which the Chambal Valley never had seen before. It was aimed at tightening a noose around the area in which the dacoit chief and his gang were thought to

For once the police were right. Moreover, they had a major advantage over the dacoits: they could negotiate the rugged countryside in jeeps while Chhabiram and his men were

forced to retreat on foot. Finally, as dusk was falling over the valley, police closed the net around the dacoits, who were hiding in a protected rivulet that offi-cials later described as the best place in the region to dig in for a defensive battle.

Karamaveer Singh, the senior police superintendent who had been trying to capture Chhabiram for the past eight months, described the dacoit chief as being cool to the last — puffing on a cigarette as he tried to

# Penguins in Argentina get temporary reprieve

By Douglas Grant Mine

BUENOS AIRES, Argentina (AP) - As if they knew of the plan to grind them into protein meal and make gloves from their skins, the penguins who spend half the year on the Patagonian coast will soon waddle to the waterside, dive into the cold south Atlantic and head for nobody-knows-where.

In fact, they do that every year, but this year they leave a raging controversy behind

A Patagonian newspaper reported last month that the secretariat of maritime affairs had authorized the "processing" of 48,000 Magellan penguins annually. That brought an outcry from Argentina's few small environmentalist groups.

Public response was unprecedented for such an issue here, with "Save the Penguin" editorials appearing in newspapers across the country and pro-penguin calls flooding conservationists' offices.

A temporary injunction barring the slaughter was issued while a federal court studies

"We've won the battle, but the war is not over," Gustavo Costa, a director of the Argentine Wildlife Foundation said.

He was encouraged by President Gen. Leopoldo Galtieri's declaration that the federal government was not currently considering the repeal or modification of a 1974 law

and other animals along Argentina's three thousand mile coastline. But Costa warned that a change in the law might be considered in the future, and he said the Hinode Penguins Corporation had not given up.

Hinode President Gustavo Larrez. Mi Argentine entrepreneur who does imperiexport business with Japan, proposed the processing plan to authorities of the southern province of Chubut, claiming the penguins had overpopulated their habitat.

He said the project's main objective was production of a high protein concentrate, but acknowledged in a recent interview the market for penguin skin leather is "very good." "We have to sell the leather to pay for

production of proteins," he said. Patricia Chiesa of the Wildlife Foundation said gloves and handbags made from fine. soft penguin leather have become highly fashionable in Japan. She also said Larrea's original proposal for exemption from the 1974 law called for the killing of 400,000 animals a year, and that the quota was reduced as a means of "getting a foot in the door without causing too much fuss."

The foundation refuted Larrea's contentions that there were too many penguins in Patagonia and that they were eating a significant portion of the Argentine Atlantic's

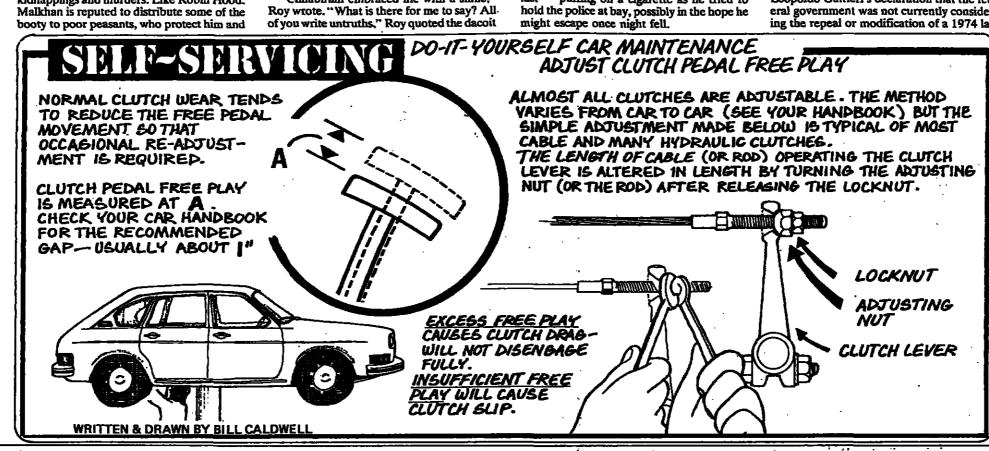
Larrea claimed the penguin population had exploded at the same time that its natural predators — he mentioned the killer whale. sea lions, leopard seals, whales and foxes had declined.

The conservationists replied that the killer whale was the Megellan penguin's only real predator, and that studies show the marine mammal's population has remained constant over the past years. They said there is no study indicating the birds make a dent in the vast and relatively unexploited biomass of anchovy in Argentine waters.

Costa said the foundation is not against exploitation of Argentine fauna in all cases. but that his organization wants it done on the basis of internationally recognized environmental studies.

When Larrea proposed his plan, he said there were some eight million Magellan penguins on the Patagonian coast. Chubut's govemor, Adm. Niceto Echauri Ayerra, an early supporter of the plan, said the animal would soon be "invading" towns if nothing were done to stem their growth.

The Wildlife Foundation responded that a generous estimate of the population would be three million. The local conservationists got support from international organizations, among them the International Union for the Conservation of Nature, and convinced Chubut authorities the animals should not be exploited until a thorough study of them has been completed.



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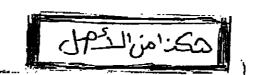
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#### Every dream has its drawbacks

# Forgetfulness can be a problem...and a blessing

JEDDAH — Forgetfulness is the cherished dream of the heart. It is not very easy to forget what we want to forget; and conversely it is quite difficult to remember what we must. According to the psychologixts, memory is a highly subjective and selecthe process. You can even "teach" your memory to retain what you think is imporrant, and to "wash out" irrelevant, useless information. But to be able to do this, one must have the ability to know the essentials from the inessentials. The grain must be kept separate from the chaff, that is.

Normally the mind of an average individual becomes a storehouse of jumbled facts - unnecessary details, names, dates, records, names of places, heights of the mountains,

length of the rivers, names of a large number of cities and their populations and many other facts which are never put to any practical use. But, when he wants to dig up a fact he has to remove many layers of unrelated facts before he can get down to what he was looking for, and by that time he would have forgotten what it was.

Your interests decide the main channel of your memory's flow. The stream of memory chalks its course in the direction of a yielding soil. Because memory depends so much upon our conscious will, we are ourselves responsible for what we remember and what we

Whatever one likes to remember is the individual's own outlook; but other people get affected if he forgets something of importance. To stay clear of this situation, it is best to remember not to forget some very impor-tant things in our lives. If you are not careful about this, you might be caught saying like a very famous person (it is regretted that the writer has forgotten the name of this otherwise wellknown personage) who said, "I have an excellent memory. I remember all things except for the names, faces and places?"

A successful memory guarantees success in life. Therefore you should never forget the

1. Don't forget your own name. On reflection, you'll be surprised that on how many occasions you had to recall who you are. Admitted, it is not every day that you need your name, but be prepared for emergencies. Remember that many people are known to have forgotten their own names under mental stress, therefore, don't take this advice

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Kansas study, has formed a task force to

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lightly. Repeat your name for 20 times daily just before going to sleep. Remind yourself who you are every morning.

2. Don't forget the names of all the members of your family and the number of the children. Don't make a vague answer as somebody did on being asked how many children he had, "About ten or maybe eleven. Eleven I think!" It may be a matter of practical wisdom to remember their dates of birth

3. Don't forget your wife's birthday or your marriage anniversary if you desire to avoid the storms of matrimonial life.

4. Don't forget the birthday of the boss. This might hold the key to the future bright career. It might prove equally advantageous to remind him, if the opportunity offers itself, how bright, lovely and intelligent his kids are. Never forget to show an interest in the hobbies of the boss.

5. If you are short-sighted or far-sighted remember not to misplace your glasses anywhere. If you think you can't locate them, use this simple test. Try to touch your eye with your finger. If you discover there is something between the finger and the eyes, it means that you are wearing your glasses. Don't forget that the top of the nose is the best place to keep your glasses.

6. Don't forget to extinguish your last cigarette before you switch off the lights. The resultant fire may disturb the neighbors in the middle of the night.

7. Don't forget to post the letter before it is too late. Otherwise you might have to meet the addressee face to face, he demanding the reply of his letter and you mumbling something in return.

8. Don't forget to buy all the items you were told to, from the supermarket. In case you find that the many small things are beyond the span of your memory, it is best to make a list. Don't forget it at home otherwise you'll not exactly enjoy the hot soup that could be prepared on your return. In dire circumstances you may even coax a fellow shopper into giving you his list.

9. Don't forget the name of an old acquaintance who greets you with the cordiality of a friend. Don't embarrass yourself by asking his name. (This is the privilege of old forgetful teachers only.) Try to recall his name. Well, what is it?

10. Don't forget your traveling documents, tickets, money and keys etc. at home. Don't forget to lock the door, and to bolt the windows, otherwise you'll continue to feel uneasy all through the trip. And don't forget your own residential address when you come

11. If you want to retain some measure of respect in the eyes of colleagues, friends and acquaintances, don't forget your money at home. Many people find it convenient to do. 12. Don't forget that some people are wise

# 'Shanty dwellers' hope to find a better life

COLOMBO (Depthnews) - The Wellawatte Canal runs through several villages in the upper reaches of Colombo before it disgorges its murky, polluted waters into the sea just inside the city limits. All along the way, the canal serves as the dumping ground for household refuse and filth, decaying vegetables, human waste, and industrial effluents putrify and stagnate in its waters.

In summer, the clogged debris gives an overpowering stench; during the rainy season, the canal's swollen waters burst from its banks and vomit the filth from its belly into the dwelling on its embankments.

On one of its banks, right along Colombo's main road, Galle Road, over 100 families of shanty dwellers have taken up their precarious existence.

This polyglot community belongs to the estimated 16,000 shanty dwellers who are spread around in the capital city of Colombo. Here in Wellawatte, tumble-down one-room huts of plaited coconut fronds, old planks and boxes or rusty zinc sheets, have sprouted.

Water and toilet facilites are minimal. Like all riverside dwellers, the all-purpose canal is treated as the natural disposal system. This unhealthy, unsavory neighborhood is also the social center for gossip, fights and illegal activities of all types.

It is in this shanty town where Gunadasa, 41 and his wife Jaslin, 43, live with their four malnourished children. The canal is a symbol of their lives. There is deprivation and dirt, mental and economic stagnation. And the unceasing flow of birth, death and

They belong to the "statistics of despair" — mainly the 3.7 million income earners of Sri Lanka, who average less than 300 rupees (\$19) a month.

Rural migration to the city is estimated to be much lower in Sri Lanka than in other Third World countries. But Gunadasa and his wife belong to that category of migrants. The economic problems they face now are partly of their own making.

Ten years ago, they lived in a village 20

miles away from Colombo. There they had two-room house and a kitchen. Their first child, Iranganie, had just been born. Gunadasa worked in a bakery. "Life was not altogether comfortable

even then," said Jaslin. "But it was bear-

She added: "I prefer living in the village. Life was more peaceful and settled then and we did not have to share a house with my mother and sister. Now, there are constant quarrels over trivial things. I get more irrit-

breadfruit and yams. We had a well to bathe in, and now we have to fight at the standpipe. We had two good meals of rice and for the morning my husband brought bread from the bakery," she reminisced.

Besides, Jaslin continued, she never had to wander around to gather firewood. There was firewood lying all around the house.

"Now, my children (four girls) never have enough to eat," she complained. 'They eat a piece of bread or a little leftover rice in the morning. It is invariably bread again in the afternoons when they return from school; they wash it down with plain tea. But I try to buy a bottle of milk when I can spare the money."

It is only in the evenings that they have a rice meal, with one curry made of vegetables or pulses and occasionally dried fish. She also cooks leafy vegetables often.

After much prodding by doctors and health workers, Jaslin now makes a conjee (Puree) with a little unpolished rice and green leafy vegetables which she gives her children in the mornings. And to supplement their diet, she buys the cheapest kind of fish and "that is not often."

Why did they leave the village? Each has a different answer.

Jaslin: "I was expecting my second child and we came to Colombo so we could be near my mother. We left all our things behind in the village - furniture, pots and pans and everything else. Everytime I told my husband that we must go back, he was reluctant. He had found work in a bakery by then. Finally we didn't return and we lost everything we left behind."

Gunadasa: "Jaslin's father was old and disabled. When her sister went to school and her mother to work, there was no one to give him even a drop of water. Jaslin's mother persuaded her to stay on to look after her father."

Whatever the truth, they did stay, joining the flotsam and jetsam beside the canal. "I could go back to the village where my mother lives, tap rubber and make a living." Gunadasa dreams aloud. Unkempi, lethargic, and without much initiative he seems unlikely to make the effort.

Colombo does have a pull which he cannot resist and cannot quite understand. Asked on the government's plan to build flats for shanty dwellers, Gunadasa replied, "I don't believe it. Candidates come here during the elections and promise us the moon and nothing happens."

Jaslin's main complaint is the high cost of everything, including firewood. "People tell me that it is unsafe to drink unboiled water," she said. "But how can I boil water for drinking when I don't even have

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By Daniel P. Puzo

KANSAS CITY. Ks. (LAT) - The reputation of soybeans as an inexpensive source of protein in the fight to eliminate global malnutrition has been slighted by a recent report from the University of Kansas Medical Center. A study conducted on American adult males showed that various forms of soy inhibited the body's ability to absorb iron, a mineral essential to red blood cell produc-

The immediate impact of the information on the American food industry will be minimal because the United States depends primarily on animal sources for protein, and they facilitate iron absorption. However, many developing countries have turned to soy products for protein in place of costly meets and poultry. The United States is the world's leading producer of soybeans.

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"Previous studies had suggested that the iron in soy was relatively well-absorbed and it was as good a source as meat. Our studies have shown this not to be true," said Dr. Sean R. Lynch, University of Kansas professor of medicine and co-author of the report.

"The iron in soy is like that in other vegetables and it is not well absorbed," he said. "This report demonstrates the necessity of re-evaluating the effect of this protein source

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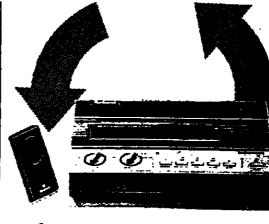
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# Senate panel trims funds for MX plan

WASHINGTON, March 24 (R) - A Senate subcommittee has voted to cut \$1 billion sought by President Ronald Reagan for production of the MX missile, dealing a major blow to the administration's nuclear arms program. But it approved funds for research and development of the missile.

The Senate Armed Services Strategic Subcommittee cast the unanimous vote to cut the \$1 billion in a closed session Tuesday, it was announced to reporters by subcommittee chairman John Warner. The money had been sought by Reagan for production of the powerful, accurate and controversial MX during the 1983 financial year which begins on Oct. 1 this year.

The subcommittee in a statement later said it had voted to approve \$1.7 billion sought by Reagan for research and development of the MX. It defended its vote to cut the \$1 billion saying that was consistent with its decision to seek a permanent basing mode as soon as possible. The senate panel also voted, according to subcommittee sources, to cut several hundred million dollars sought by the administration for temporary basing of the

Reagan wants to begin production of the missile and to base it temporarily in existing Minuteman missile silos while a permanent deployment scheme is worked out. But Sen. Warner, a Virginia Republican, said the senators felt the MX would be too vulnerable to a Soviet first strike under that arrangement and saw on point in building the missiles until the permanent basing decision was made.

The subcommittee's decision will be taken up by the full Armed Services Committee next week, and some congressional sources say it could well endorse the decision on MX

Warner said the subcommittee voted to approve continued funding for the aging but powerful Titan missiles, which the Reagan administration plans to phase out. The reason for this, he said, was to prevent America's land-based missile force from declining in strength as the decision on permanent MX

Members of Congress, meanwhile, are under pressure to cut Reagan's \$216 billion 1983 military budget in the light of a projected spending deficit of about \$100 billion and because of planned painful cuts in domestic programs.

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BELFAST, March 24 (AP) - British security authorities have paid arrested Irish Republican Army guerrillas up to 80,000 pounds (\$144,000) to turn informer, suspects released from Belfast's Maze Prison claim.
Three men freed from the top security pri-

son Tuesday after a witness scheduled to give evidence against them refused to testify told a news conference here that informers were "living in luxury" in Belfast's Crumlin Road prison with color television sets in the cells.

The trio Sean O Hara, Patrick Crane and Tom Molloy - claimed they had been offered large amounts of money to frame "specific people" as leading members of the outlawed provisional IRA and its Marxist offshoot, the Irish National Liberation Army.

They were among 13 suspected guerrillas freed by a special magistrates' court in the Maze Prison following the witness' refusal to testify. Seven of the 13 were immediately rearrested as they left the prison. A police spokesman said: "We had enough on them to charge them with terrorist crimes without the witness "evidence.

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O'Hara said police detectives had pressured him to turn informer as "the only way I could save myself from a long prison term. He claimed he had been offered 50,000 pounds (\$90,000) and safe passage to a foreign country, but refused.

The allegations came amid the biggest police roundup off suspected guerrillas in years in Northern Ireland. More than 200 persons have been charged with terrorist crimes, including murder and attempted murder, so far this year police said.

The police spokesman said this stemmed mainly from information provided by at least seven defectors. The roundup has wrought havoc in the guerrilla organizations and forced them to drastically reduce the scale of their operations in recent weeks.

Tuesday's news conference, organized by the IRA's political front, Sinn Fein was widely seen as a bid to counter the security forces success by casting doubts on the value of the information police claim they have been given by defectors.

#### Reagan receives leadership award

NEW YORK, March 24 (AP) - President Ronald Reagan, conceding that he is bothered by questions about his compassion, said Tuesday he was trying to "save, not destroy, what is best in our system of humane, free

Reagan flew to New York to receive a humanitarian award amid protests from some religious leaders that he does not deserve it. His appearance sparked what one police official called the city's biggest demonstration in nearly two years.

Reagan was the first sitting U.S. president to be awarded the Charles Evans Hughes gold medal for "courageous leadership in government, civic and humanitarian affairs." Previous presidential recipients were Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gerald R. Ford and Harry S.

In his speech, Reagan defended his administration's record of caring for the needy and said, "the facts prove it."

By the estimate of some police officers, 20,000 persons marched and chanted in the streets outside the president's hotel. Onc favorite chant was "Money for jobs and human needs, not for war. U.S. out of El

#### Campus meeting halted in Nepal

KATMANDU. March 24 (AP) - Police have closed a Katmandu Engineering University and taken at least 30 students into custody to prevent a student conference on "the socio-economic and political situation" in Nepal, a student leader said Wednesday.

Prashad Karki, head of the pro-Peking All-Nepal National Free Students Union (ANNFSU), said that 1,200 persons from Nepal and representatives from India, Bangladesh, Pakistan and Libya were to have attended the three-day conference at Pulchok Engineering University.

Attempts are still being made by the authorities to suppress by various means the people's independent organizations...and vain efforts are also made to restrict the various activities of the ANNFSU," Karki said in a news conference. Home Ministry officials said they closed the campus Monday because the chief of campus did not want the conference to take place there."

Karki said the Kingdom's partyless "panchayat" system of government was "based on feudal tyranny." and said that "at this critical hour, we are set on mobilizing the youth and students to ardently strive for rights and honor of the people and student commun-

#### **BRIEFS**

ZURICH. (AFP) - Three hundred delegates from all over the world are attending this week's sixth European congress on sleep, which opened Tuesday, to study the causes of insomnia — an affliction that affects one person out of four according to some estimates.

WELLINGTON (R) - France detonated -a nuclear device at its underground testing site on Mururoa atolhin the south Pacific last Sunday, New Zealand scientists reported Wednesday. The seismological observatory here said the explosion, rated at 13 kilotons. was the 48th detonated by the French in the area since they switched from atmospheric to underground testing in 1975.

SYDNEY, (R) - Police and customs officers Wednesday seized more than two tons of hashish, the largest haul in Australia's history, from a container carrying Middle East foodstuffs, officials said. They put its street value at about \$120 million. The container arrived in Melbourne on a ship from Marseilles but was then redirected to Sydney.

CAMBRIDGE, Massachusetts (R) - A prominent black South African journalist forbidden to publish or speak publicly in his country was awarded one of American journalism's highest honors Tuesday. Joseph Thioloe, who until he was banned last year was labor reporter for the Sowetan, the newspaper of Johannesburg's black district, was awarded the Louis M. Lyons award for conscience and integrity in journalism by the Nieman Fellows. The group is an important journalist fellowship at Harvard University and the award is named after the fellowship's longtime curator, Louis Lyons.

# **U.S.** scientist claims making breakthrough in cancer fight for leniency

WINSTON-SALEM, North Carolina, March 24 (AP) - A biochemist at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine says he has developed a potentially overwhelming weapon against cancer of the ovary.

Dr. George J. Doellgast says his 10-year search was culminated last week when he successfully created hybrid cells by fusing cells from mouse spleens with cells from Myeloma, a type of cancer. The hybrid cells have the ability to produce tiny cancer fighters targeted specifically against ovarian cancer, Doellgast said. The new cells, called hybridomas, are capable of producing large quantities of the cancer fighters, which are called monoclonal antibodies.

Scientists in other parts of the country have developed hybridomas and monoclonal antibodies against some other cancers and against some viral and bacterial diseases. But Doellgast said his work is a major breakthrough in the treatment of cancer of the ovary. He said, however, that much laboratory and animal testing still needs to be

The key to the process is an enzyme which Doellgast has spent the first decade of his postdoctoral career studying. The enzyme, placental alkaline phosphatase. occurs in human placents and in some caneers, most notably cancer of the ovary. No one knows what role it plays in the body.

But Doellgast, 38, said he has demonstrated that the enzyme, called pap, makes these cancers vulnerable to monoclonal antibodies, which he says could be the most effective agents ever contemplated for diagnosis and treatment of ovarian cancer.

Like the body's own antibodies - it front line of detense against foreign intruders - monoclonal antibodies are programmed to attack specific foreign targets in the body. That is where Doellgast says papenters the picture. Since the enzyme does not occur in the normal non-placental tissues. its appearance in ovarian cancer cells marks the cancer as something abnormal and foreign and thus gives the antibodies a target,

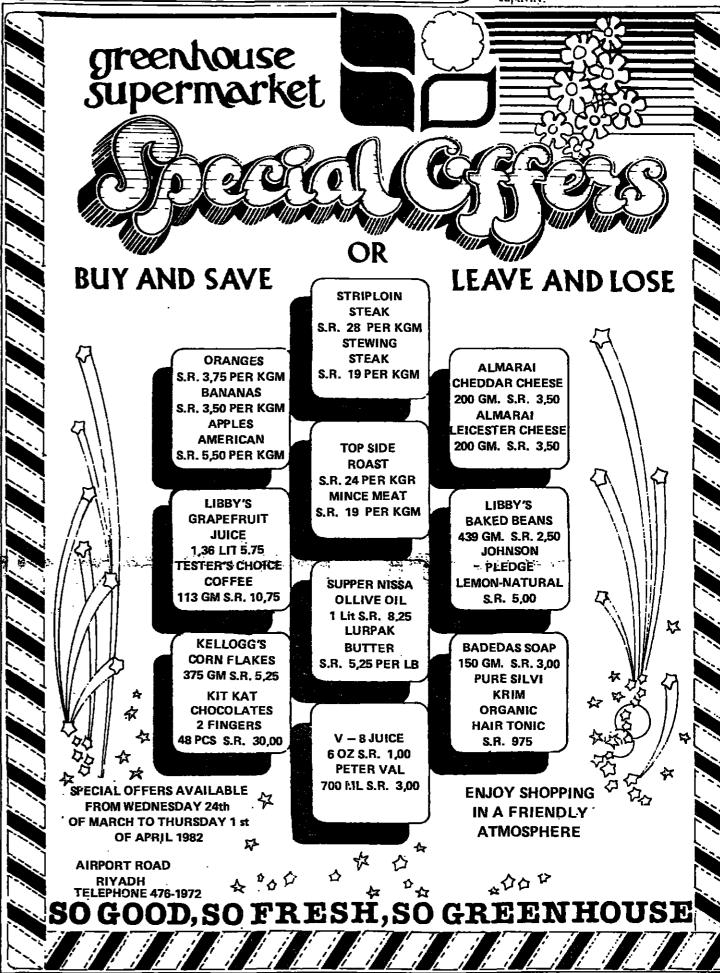
# Defense asks in Dozier case

nse lawyer Wednesday urged leniency for Antonio Savasta, the self-confessed Red Brigades leader who kidnapped U.S. Brig. Gen, James Dozier, arguing that his client had suffered terrible isolation while on the run from

Hunted by police for the last three years. he had developed the mentality of a fugitive and lost the sense of his own identity, his lawyer Emanuele Fragasso told Verona Assize court judges.

The prosecution has demanded a reduced sentence of 14 years imprisonment and a fine of two million lire (\$1,500) for Savasta, who has confessed to a leading role in kidnapping of Dozier and other Red Brigades erimes including murder.

Police arrested him and four other members of the left-wing Brigades when treeing Dozier in Padua last Jan. 28 after 42 days in captivity.



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# Lagos halts imports as oil revenue falls

suspended nearly all its imports for an undetermined period because its oil revenue has been sharply reduced by the world oil glut, according to reports reaching London Tues-

Oil is Nigeria's main source of foreign earnings and the country has been one of the worst hit among leading oil producers by the world surplus and failing oil prices.

The British Broadcasting Corp. said Nigeria's central bank in Lagos Tuesday instructed all commercial banks operating in the country to stop issuing letters of credit. These are needed for nearly all imports entering the west African country.

The authoritative Financial Times of London said the import ban was apparently aimed at cutting imports by at least one-third from the current level of \$1.8 billion a month. Economic analysts in London have estimated Nigeria's oil revenues have fallen from around \$2.4 billion a month early last year to an estimated \$800 million a month.

The Financial Times said Nigeria's foreign exchange reserves have fallen to an estimated \$3 billion, one-third of the total a year ago and barely enough to pay for two months' imports at the normal level.

The paper reported that a cutback in Nigerian oil production has left the country, Africa's most populous, with a monthly trade

deficit of \$600 million. Oil production has fallen from 1.8 million

# France set for

interest and exchange rates, the tendency toward protectionism and the wide variances in economic policies are the major concerns France will voice at the economic summit of Western leaders in June, a top official said

President Francois Mitterrand will host the leaders of the United States, Canada. Japan. West Germany, Britain and Italy at the annual economic summit June 4-6 at the Palace of Versailles.

An official at the presidential palace, who could not be identified, said Mitterrand would emphasize at the meeting that no country should have an economic policy that works against the effort to achieve full employment in any of the six others.

France, the official said, will propose a collective effort to stimulate the world economy.

#### U.S. refineries laid low by oil glut

SAN ANTONIO, March 24 (AP) - The chairman of the National Petroleum Refiners Association said Monday that "the bottom has literally dropped out of the (oil) market." causing the shutdown of 50 refineries throughout the United States.

"Oil prices seem to be falling faster than the stock market crash of 1929 and many dif

#### Dollar notes sold at a premium!

DUBAI, March 24 (WAM) - The continuing slide of the pound sterling has resulted in a serious shortage of sterling notes in the local market, Khaleej Times a leading UAE daily reported Wednesday. At the same time non-availability of

high denomination dollar notes has pushed up their prices causing dealers to sell £100 notes at a premium, he added. It quoted money changers as saying that

the steady depreciation of the sterling had forced most of them to sell out their holdings in that currency and square up their

The newspaper reported that dealers claimed that although the shortage of \$100 notes was evident elsewhere, it is more acute in the Gulf where people prefer to carry cash, specially in high denomination dollar notes.

Exchange houses who try to import high denomination currency are facing difficu-Ity because of the shortage in traditional sources compound by last years ban on dollars exports by Egypt, the newspaper barrels daily earlier this month. It was 2.3 billion barrels a day in 1979. The production cutback was aimed at stopping oil prices falling further.

Nigeria has been losing customers for its crude because until this week it was asking \$36.50 a barrel. Britain cut prices last month for similar quality crude to \$31 a barrel. Nigeria agreed at the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries meeting in Vienna last week to cut its price to \$35.42 a

Oil industry sources in London speculated that Nigeria's ban was designed to cut government spending rather than cut its oil prices further in a bid to boost sales and generate

The Nigerian move will hit Britain's drive to boost its exports as part of its economic recovery program. Nigeria is one of Britain's top export markets with an annual intake of goods worth between 1 and 1.5 billion pounds (\$1.8 and \$2.7 billion) a year.

Another member of OPEC, Indonesia, meanwhile said it would make all efforts to maintain the volume of its oil exports despite the OPEC accord cutting Indonesia's total crude production to 1.3 million barrels a day.

Mining and Energy Minister Subroto told reporters in Jakarta, following talks with President Suharto, that the government has decided to reduce domestic consumption of fuel oils and a presidential order concerning this matter will be issued soon.

#### June summit

putting in the forefront the struggle against unemployment.

However, he said two conditions are necessary before any progress can be made: The United States must reduce its interest rates and stabilize the exchange rate of dollar, and Japan must institute a more open economic policy based on reciprocity of markets.

According to the official, Mitterrand also will take up the themes he stressed at last year's summit in Ottawa and at the North-South meeting in Cancun, Mexico — development of food aid, stabilization of prices for raw materials, energy aid for nonproducing countries and the need for North-South negotiations.

Commercial relations between the West and the Eastern bloc also will be important themes for the meeting, the official said.

experts are beginning to wonder if we have indeed dropped into a bottomless pit," Robert H. Chitwood, president of Cities Service Corp., told 1,000 delegates at the open-

ing session of the association's convention. These are perplexing times," Chitwood said. "A year ago we certainly didn't realize the kind of impact the recession and consumer conservation would have on the

demand for our products." He said that overall the nation's refineries have curtailed their operations to 63 percent of capacity." According to the latest API survey, more than 2 million barrels a day of operable refining capacity was shut down Jan. I. Just recently, six more refineries with capacities totaling nearly 400,000 more barrels a day are said to be closing. Now, approximately 50 plants have shut their gates and this last grows with each passing day," Chit-

wood said. "Subsidies that existed under price and allocation controls are gone and most of those inefficient refineries and marketers that were spawned by those regulations are gone as well. "The beneficiary of this market-purging exercise is the consumer who is getting a bargain today."

U.S. Energy Secretary James B. Edwards

told the refineries that current lower prices were not a sign that the oil crisis is over. "We can't risk allowing the present financial crunch to create a whole new set of problems," Edwards said, "There is a danger that if too many refineries close down, we won't have enough capacity a few years from now. That could lead to an oil product shortage. We have to be careful that we maintain the capacity to produce the right mix of products consistent with the heavier, more sour

# EEC will sign tin accord, Jakarta says

JAKARTA, March 24 (AP) --- Mining and Energy Minister Subroto said Wednesday that the European Economic (EEC) will sign the 6th international tin agreement later this year, a move which could nudge Indonesia away from participation in a three-nation tin association proposed by Malaysia.

He told reporters after a meeting with President Suharto that during a recent meeting to Europe to attend a meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), he had conveyed letters on the tin

agreement from Suharto to EEC leaders. While not disclosing the contents of the letters, he said the EEC leaders were convinced of the importance of taking part in the 6th ITA which is expected to be signed by July this year.

Malaysia recently proposed the formation of a producer association among Indonesia. Malaysia and Thailand, three of the world's major tin producers, to protect market prices from moves by the United States and other industrial countries to release stocks and cut international market prices.

American economists say recession NEW YORK, March 24 (R) - Some four indicators for his view that the recession has ended - a rise in non-farm employment after five months of declines, an

Wall Street economists have cheered up millions of jobless Americans and the country's ailing industries this week by saying that the recession is over.

The trouble is that not all analysts can agree on whether the economy has reached its low point and how soon better times can be expected.

Wall Street has been examining statistics detailing economic activity in February and the resulting diversity of views among analysts has contributed to uncertainty in credit and stock markets about the outlook for interest rates - a key factor in industry's expansion plans and the buying power of consumers.

"The recession appears to have reached bottom," said Bernard Schoenfeld, of Irving Trust Company, a view closely echoed by Philip Braverman at Chase Manhattan Bank who said," The economy is probably in the process of bottoming out."

But Edward Yardeni of the stockbroking firm E.F. Hutton took the line that "a close look at the (February) numbers offers little

hope that an economic recovery is at hand." The economists looked at the figures and set out their views in regular weekly publi-cations over the weekend. Schonfeld cited

increase in the average weekly hours worked, a 1.6 percent gain in industrial production and a 1.6 percent rise in retail sales. But he cautioned that the evidence was fragmentary, distorted by severe

Hopes of jobless soar

weather in January and subject to revision. Yardeni, meanwhile, noted that the 1.6 percent rise in industrial production followed a 2.5 percent drop in January and that retail sales, despite February's gain, remained 1.1 percent below the 1981 fourth-quarter average.

Booms in the energy industry's capital spending and in office construction were subsiding, he added. "With no recovery in sight for housing or autos and with two previously booming sectors now fading, the prospects for the U.S. economy are grim,"

Braverman at Chase Manhattan disagreed." It is a mistake to dismiss the long string of favorable data as merely an aberration due to better weather, to be followed by a steep and prolonged new slide," he

He said the figures for March could show some further weakening, but that the Feb-

ruary statistics probably heralded a more sustainable rise in economic activity in the spring and summer.

Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner and Smith, the leading Wall Street securities firm, forecast that the real, or inflation-adjusted, gross national product would rise at an annual rate of 1.5 percent in the second quarter of 1982. The Commerce Department had estimated real GNP declines in the 1981 fourth quarter and 1982 first quarter of 4.5 percent.

Merrill Lynch added that "we do not expect any meaningful advance in real economic activity until the second half of 1982." It predicted only a modest recovery even then.

The Merrill Lynch forecast assumed that interest rates would fall in the near term, consumers would not drastically increase precautionary savings and that Congress and the Reagan administration would compromise on the size of the deficit in the federal budget for the 1983 financial year.

Such a compromise would slow the growth of government spending on defense and social security but preserve tax cuts already approved by Congress, Merrill

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# Reagan defends economic plan U.S., Japan

NEW YORK, March 24 (R) — At least 15,000 New Yorkers demonstrated against Ronald Reagan Tuesday night in the biggest protest march since the president took office 14 months ago.

The demonstrators blocked the avenue outside a New York hotel where Reagan defended his economic plan and said he was hurt by charges that he lacked compassion for

The protest was so large that he felt impelled to mention it in a departure from the text

He came to New York to accept an award for humanitarian achievements from the National Conference of Christians, an event at which he described his economic policies as the best way to protect freedom in the United States,

In his remarks to the conference, whose

#### Paris, Bonn talks to be held today

PARIS, March 24 (AP) - A number of serious problems facing the European Economic Community, particularly agricultural prices and the community's monetary system, will be the major subjects of Thursday's meeting between Premier Pierre Mauroy and West German Chancellor Hel-

Sources at the premier's office said Wednesday, however, that the quick trip by the French head of government to Bonn could not be considered as preparatory talks for the EEC summit, scheduled to begin Monday in

The present situation in the community is sufficiently strained to justify such a visit by itself and both Paris and Bonn feel the need to discuss a number of major issues.

France is anxious to mold a united front with West Germany on the major issues, the source said. Mauroy will leave for Bonn immediately after Thursday morning's schedule cabinet meeting and is scheduled to return about 7 p.m. No other minister of the French government will be traveling with

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main aim is to fight bigotry, the president challenged critics who have accused him of running a government for the rich with policies slashing social welfare programs. increasing defense spending and reducing taxes.

The president likened his goals to those of President Franklin D. Roosevelt in the 1930's, although Roosevelt poured billions into government projects to help Americans to overcome the depression.

Many critics of Franklin Roosevelt accused him of trying to destroy free enterprise system. Reagan said. "Today, I am accused by some of trying to destroy government's commitment to compassion and to the needy.

#### Does this bother me? Yes. Like Franklin Roosevelt, may I say I'm not trying to destroy what is best in our system of humane, free government." In an extemporaneous addition to his text.

the president spoke of those just outside this hall who speak with such passionate conviction. "Yes," he went on. "There are signs of disagreement over the path that we should take. But cannot such a dialogue be carried on with decency and understanding, without a tone of hatred?

He appealed for support of his program to rearm the U.S. saying Americans must counter a dangerous military momentum favoring the Soviet Union.

#### Japan vows to ease imports

WASHINGTON, March 24 (R) - Japanese Foreign Minister Yoshio Sakurauchi, calhing for a strengthening of free trade, has promised the U.S. his country will move further to open its markets to foreign imports.

Giving an account of his two days of talks here, he said Tuesday night he also appealed to Congress not to pass retaliatory legislation against Japanese trade barriers.

A senior State Department official praised Japan's response on the thorny issue of trade between the two countries. But members of Congress told Sakurauchi Japan had to lower more trade barriers to avoid retaliatory

The foreign minister, who met President Reagan, Secretary of State Alexander Haig and other senior officials, told a press conference he emphasized the moves Japan had already taken to remove trade curbs. These included accelerating some 1,600 tariff cuts. removing or easing 67 non-tariff barriers and creating a trade ombudsman's office.

He said Japan would act swiftly to further lower tariffs and added he had told U.S. officials his government would do what it could to open up the Japanese domestic market. But there was no mention of settig a deadline.

After the members of Senate Foreign RelationsCommittee met the foreign minister earlier Tuesday, Democrat John Glenn of Ohio disclosed he had listed a number of trade areas in which movement was needed

### Iran said selling oil at \$25

BELGRADE, March 23 (AP) - A Yugoslav newspaper claimed Wednesday Iran had signed a secret oil deal with an unidentified West German company at a cut-rate price and that it later agreed to lower is oil price in renewing contracts with Japanese buyers.

The report in Politika Ekspres, which lacked confirmation, said a deal with a West German contractor signed in February calls for Iran to ship 270,000 barrels a day at \$25 a

The current Benchmark price within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) is \$34 a barrel of Saudi Arabian

At their extraordinary meeting in Vienna last week, OPEC ministers decided to retain the reference price and set total production at

17.5 million barrels a day, including a 500,000-barrel cutback announced by Saudi

The newspaper said the secret deal had later prompted Japanese to request similar price concessions after their contracts expired a day earlier, the Yugoslav state news agency Tanjug reported from Tehran that Iran was "ready" to undercut OPEC prices, but did not say by how much. It said the decision was taken after Japanese companies had refused to renew contracts at normal

Tanjug said by undercutting OPEC prices Iran intends to win back old and acquire new hard-currency customers in the shrinking oil market. Politika Ekspres said that the current per-barrel price of Iranian light crude was \$32.20 and \$30.30 for heavy crude.

LONDON, (AP) - All British Calendonian flights from London's Gatwick Airport were grounded Wednesday when dayshift plane loaders refused to service the aircraft. The action was taken by 70 to 80 men when one of their colleagues was fired following a conviction last week for pilfering.

BRUSSELS, (AFP) - The world's biggest telephone exchange has been inauguted here in Berlaymont building, where most of the European Economic Community (EEC) commission offices are housed. This exchange, installed by West Germany's Siemens Corporation, serves the commission's internal needs in Brussels and also connects to offices in the 10 countries of the community.

SINGAPORE, (AFP) - An Asian trade boost by Sweden appears imminent, Lars Andersson of the Swedish Trade Council said here at a show staged by 35 Swedish

firms. In Singapore, Sweden's largest market in South East Asia, there were about 80 Swedish firms and some had joint ventures with local companies. More of these ventures could be expected as business contacts

LONDON; (AFP) - The differential between U.S. and West European interest rates should diminish in coming months because of "strong recessionary pressures" in the United States, David Kern, chief analyst at the National Westminster Bank, said here. U.S. rates were likely to fall in the next few months but "renewed economic growth and the inflationary repercussions of a large budget deficit could exert upward pressure later in the year," he said.

TUNIS, (AP) - Tunisian oil production is expected to increase from five million metric tons in 1981 to more than 11 million metric tons in 1982 thanks to the discovery of new oil fields, the government announced Wednesday.

# EEC wants to play fair

BRUSSELS, March 24 (AFP) - The European Economic Community (EEC) should take measures aimed at making Japan and the United States play fair over international trade. Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens has suggested in a letter to EEC

Martens, who will chair the next community summit here on Monday and Tuesday, suggested that "accompanying measures be taken to lead our partners to play the game, to respect international rules based on reciprocal rights and obligations, as we have done

The letter outlined a suggested agenda for the European Council summit of leaders from the 10 EEC member countries and from

In another development, it was reported Tuesday the EEC ministers are to make a new attempt to break the deadlock over Britain's contribution to the EEC budget at a official meeting next month.

Offical sources said both Britain and France, which are locked over the issue, had agreed to consider a compromise presented by council of ministers chairman Leo Tindemans as a "base for discussions." Tindemans suggested that EEC budget refunds be made to Britain each year over five tyears, with the amount to be fixed now for the fist two years and varying over the next three according to conditions at the time.

#### Living standards in U.K., U.S. fall

PARIS, March 24 (AP) — Living standards of the United States, Britain and the Netherlands are declining compared to other non-Communist industrialized nations, according to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

The OECD, whose members include the major Western powers and Japan, issued figures covering 1978-1980 based on "purchasing power party," which eliminates distortions caused by exchange rates and provides a more accurate picture of what people can buy with their incomes.

According to the figures, Japan and Italy are gaining over the other OECD members, which with the exception of the United States and Britain. However the Netherlands have remained about steady over the three-year

#### China opens door to foreign capital

PEKING.March 24 (AP) - China is inviting \$900 million in foreign investment in 130 projects, mostly to expand or modernize factories, an official announced Tuesday, A conference in Canton June 7-11 will give

foreign businessmen a chance to choose app-

ropriate Chinese partners and conduct faceto-face negotiations, said Ji Chongwei, a leading member of the preparatory meeting for the conference. Ji told about 300 Chinese and foreign busi-

nessmen, diplomats and reporters the investment could take the form of funds, technology, raw materials or equipment, but in principle China would rule out importing complete sets of equipment. China will not import anything it can make

here, and will import "only key technology in these fields," he said. Ji also said the 130 projects did not include important fields of energy, transportation and agriculture, or any currently under negotiation.

# Financial Roundup

# Dollar drops as gold rises

By J.H.Hammond

JEDDAH, March 24 -- Gold prices rallied on the European markets Wednesday to take the trading levels to \$332.50 an ounce and with dealers confident of further rises. Gold rose in Europe Tuesday to close at \$329.50 and despite a New York closing of \$326.40 it was generally in demand. In the exchange markets Wednesday, the dollar fell back from the record high seen Tuesday but despite brisk profit-taking, the American currency was still buoyant. The French franc in particular, failed to make a significant recovery, trading at around 6.2280 levels despite some further short and longterm French interest rate rises that has now taken Euro French deposit rates to over 30 percent in the short tenors.

In the local markets, the downward easing of riyal deposit rates continued Wednesday, taking off another 14 to 1/2 percent from rates with the one-month JIBOR rate quoted at 13-13 ¼ percent compared to Tuesday's 13 ½-13½ percent closing

It was not only rival rates that fell back Wednesday, for Eurodollar deposit rates eased by between 1/8 to 1/4 percent in most tenors. The slide was precipitated by falls in Federal Reserve "Fed funds" rates which closed at their lowest levels for the past few weeks - 13-13¼ percent with the "Fed" adding liquidity to the system. As a consequence, the New York markets saw dollar rates fall to below 15 percent for all tenors compared with 15 3/16 - 15 5/16 percent levels of last Friday. The one-month dollar rate is now quoted at 14 11/16 - 14 13/16 percent while the one-year deposit is dealt at 14 3/4-14 1/8 percent. This Friday's weekly U.S. money supply figures could either

dollar rates, with most commentators predicting a small rise in money supply Friday.

In the European exchanges, the German mark traded at a stronger level of 2.3790 compared with 2.3980 on Tuesday. Despite some worsening in Germany's current account position in February, the latest figures released show a fall in the consumer price index of 1.2 pc . nt in February, thus adding more mome turn for a fall in Germany's inflation rate. The British pound was also cheered by the news of a drop in the U.K.'s unemployment figures to below 3 million, to trade at 1.8110 at one stage Wednesday. The Italian lire was still under pressure, trading at 1,310 to the dollar while the Japanese yen managed a slight recovery to 242.00 from 244.80 Tuesday levels.

In the local markets, spot riyal/dollar rates opened at 3.4198-08 but soon rose to 3.4205-12 levels by close of business. Both interbank and commercial dealing was reported to have been active but transaction volumes were still small. The money markets witnessed more falls in riyal interest rates which should prove to be good news for companie's overdrafts. Short-term rival rates dropped to 11-12 percent for the week-fixed tenor, compared with Monday's 15-16 percent peaks, while in the longer tenors, the year-fixed was quoted at 13 le-13 % compared to 13 ½-14 ½ percent levels a week ago.

Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

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### Kuwait feels oil glut crunch

KUWAIT, March 24 (AP) - The Kuwaiti cabinet held an unusual emergency session Wednesday to discuss the economic perspective for oil-dependent Kuwait in light of belt-tightening measures by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries.

The session, chaired by Kuwait Ruler Sheikh Jaber Al Ahmad Al Sabah, coincided with press revelations that last week's OPEC consultative meeting in Vienna had claimed a ceiling of 75,000 barrels per day on Kuwaiti crude production.

Kuwait had set a target of 1.5 million barrels daily for this year. The persistent glut on the international oil market forced it. however, to an estimated daily average of 655,000 barrels — the lowest in the country's

bistory. Economic policy planners said these conditions will force Kuwait to reconsider its economic policy, particularly in the field of governmental spending, international lending and aid to developing states. The Kuwaitis, who accumulated more than

\$60 billion in foreign investments from oil revenues in past years, have been the main contributors to some half a dozen Arab and OPEC funds aimed at circumventing balance of payments difficulties suffered by Third World nations as a result of higher oil prices. The oil crunch is already being felt in the

United Arab Emirates, which said Tuesday that it would suffer its first-ever budget deficit in fiscal 1981-1982, announced Wednesday new restrictive measures on foreign

The central bank said that banks operating in the country must henceforth have, as a local reserve, at leas ercent of sums they wish to lend to foreign corrowers. It said the measure was aimed at 'keeping the (local currency) inside the country and maintaining a high level of local liquidity."

## World Bank to curb lending process

By Charles W. Holmes Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, March 24 -- Because of constraints on its resources, the World Bank borrowing countries from its rolls, a World Bank official has announced ending the eligibility to borrow from the World Bank is a long standing process as the borrowing country reaches a healthier economic situation. Although the standards for phasing out a bor- . rower have not been changed, the terms for deciding who will be graduated, and how, will be "applied more rigorously," according to the bank's senior Vice President Ernest

Stern. The decision to take a tougher line on the

graduation process was made in a policy statement by the bank's executive directors at a meeting Jan. 26, and announced to repor-

ters here Tuesday.

Stern said that growing demands on the bank's ability to lend have led to the more restrictive policy. Although he denied that American pressure prompted the decision by the bank, it has been reported that the United States pushed hard for the change and had requested that the trigger level for graduation be lowered to \$ 2,200.

The new policy has initiated graduation

"talks" with six countries now above that trigger mark. Oman (at \$4,380 per capita), Trinidad & Tobago (\$4,370), Cyprus (\$3,560). Bahamas (\$3,300), Barbados (\$ 3.040) and Uruguay (\$2,820).

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#### While McNamara struggles

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seeded Jimmy Connors of Miami Beach, Florida trounced fellow American Nick Saviano 6-2, 6-1 in the \$350,000 Curore Tennis Cup Tuesday night.

Connors, displaying a range of fine shots broke Saviano's serve six times in the two sets. losing just once. The American ace, a heavy favorite her following the withdrawal of John McEnroe because of a sprained ankle, will face Italian veteran Corrado Barazzutti in a second round match.

Saviano, 26, of Plantation. Florida, double faulted on several points showing the nervousness against the favorite.

Fourth-seeded Peter McNamara of Australia struggled nearly two hours and three sets to defeat Fritz Buehning of Short Hills, New Jersey. The Australian won the first round match 4-6, 7-6, 6-1 after surviving some difficult moments in the second set.

The 22-year-old American, relying on a powerful serve and crosscourt shots, camp close to an upset victory when he climbed to a 5-4 lead in the second set. But McNamara, managed to break Buehning's serve in the 10th game and then moved to a 6-6 tie.

The Australian won the tiebreaker 7-4 and Buehning, his concentration gone, lost his serve twice in the final set and the match. In the second round McNamara will play fellow Australian Rod Rawley.

Young Swedish ace Mats Wilander caused the first sensation of the tournament eliminating eighth-seeded Andres Gomez of Ecuador. The 17-year-old Swede, considered Bjorn Borg's natural successor, won the match 6-4, 6-1 in one hour.

Wilander displayed beautiful two-handed backhand shots which grazed the lines. Gomez, apparently tired after traveling to Milan at the very last minute, was seldom able to counter the play of the European junior champion. He suffered one break in the first set and three in the second to become the first seeded player ousted in the first

JEDDAH, March 24 — Shahid Shabeer

stole the limelight last weekend with a superb

all-round performance, enabling Pak Young

to score a facile 136-run victory over Isken-

At Al Hamra, Pak Young, taking first

strike, flourished on the 105-run third-wicket

association between Shahid Shabeer and

Humayun Zaheer. Both took the Iskender

bowling apart, with Shabeer playing the

dominant role. Shabeer rattled 80 runs in just

five overs before making his exit. Humayun.

meanwhile, swelled the tally with a steady 61

as Pak Young finished with 229 in 25 overs.

Wasim (five for 78) and Shahid (three for 48)

Iskender, facing a stiff target, never reco-

were the successful Iskender bowlers.

der in the Al-Hutaimi Cricket League.

round: Wilander plays Czech veteran Tomas Smid in the second round.

Third-seeded Sandy Mayer struggled to get the better of Shlomo Glickstein 7-6. 7-6. The veteran Californian had to go through to two tiebreakers, winning both at 7-2 behind

sharp volleys. Another seeded player Edmondson of Australia, made short work of Brazilian Marcos Hocevar 6-1, 6-4 and moved into a second round clash against U.S. rising star Chip Hooper, a qualifier from the opening day of the tournament.

Vincent Van Patten. 24, of Snow Pass, Colorado, defeated Tim Mayoote 6-4, 6-2. Mayotte 21, of Springfield Massachusetts, put up some stiff resistance in the opening set but then flopped badly in the next.

Meanwhile, the Taipei Tennis Association announced that the 1982 Asia Junior Tennis Championships will be held in Taipei March

respectively.

was then 38.

Edwin S.C. Wang, secretary general of tennis association here, said at a news conference that players from Japan, South Korea, the Philippines, India, Singapore, Indonesia, Hong Kong, and the host Taiwan would participate.

Wang accused China of trying to apply political pressure and boycott the Taipei tournament and sent a protest note to the International Tennis Federation (ITF) demanding the name "the Republic of China Tennis Association" be changed to "the Chinese Taipei Tennis Association,"

He claimed that Taiwan refused to accept an application from a Mainland Chinese delegation to participate in the tourney because the Peking application was filed after the March 10 deadline. However, he added, that Taiwan never sent an invitation to the Mainland Chinese team, also an ITF member.

produced flourishing strokes on either side of

the wicket and were unbeaten with 42 and 78

Mohsin's 50 came in 109 minutes, but he

escaped with a life when wicketkeeper Mahes

Gunatilleke fumbled with a stumping chance

of Somachandra at 70. And shortly afterward

left-arm spinner Wijesooriya dropped a

sharp return chance from Majid Khan, who

Sri Lanka began the day a 204 for six with

Roy Dias on 106 and Asantha de Mel 16.

First to go was Dias with an addition of only

four runs to his and a side total of 209. De

Mel and Gunatilleke resisted the fiery Imran

Khan but finally de Mel was smartly stumped

by Ashraf Ali when he had scored 34 runs

and both added 32 runs in the eight-wicket

LAHORE, Pakistan, March 24 (AP) -Pakistan, after restricting Sri Lanka's first innings score to 240, had hit up 168 for one at the close of the second day's play of the third and final cricket Test being played at the Gaddafi Stadium Tuesday.

The Sri Lankans were all out for 240 just before lunch, adding only 36 runs to the overnight total of 204. Pakistan's Imran Khan took eight, his career's best, for 58 taking three wickets for 14 runs Tuesday. On Monday his figures were five for 40.

six for 63 while playing against Australia as Sydney in the 1976-78 series.

The figures surpassed his previous best of

Pakistan opened through Mudassar Nazar and Mohsin Hassan Khan, who shared a first-wicket stand of 79 runs, the best of the series. Majid Khan joined Mohsin Hassan Khan, on Mudassar's fall, and both batsmen

and Qawi (23) offered some resistance as the

's victory vered from its poor start. Only Burhan (27) unbeaten on 14, applied the finishing touches

procession to the pavilion continued at regular intervals. Shabeer, crowned a fine day, with a haul of five for 47 in Iskender's tally of In an another match at Al Hamra, Indian Blues coasted to a nine-wicket verdict over Jeddab Cricket Club (JCC). And the architect of the Indian's fluent victory was never in trouble when they batted.

Shaukat. Shaukat virtually ran through the JCC innings. His deadly spell fetched him a haul of seven wickets for 24 runs as JCC were shot out for a meagre 77. Only two batsmen crossed double figures, Afzai (19) and Jaweed (16) in JCC's innings. The Indians were provided a firm base in its victory quest with a 54-run opening stand between Nasar (35) and Javeed (23 n.o.). Khalique.

partnership. Rain and bad light robbed the play of 50 minutes during the afternoon sess-

with a boundary. At Baghdadia, New Star won its second match with a four-wicket triumph over Saudi Resin. Saudi Resin could muster only 96 runs with Saleem Chaudhry (31) and Jawid (20) providing the bulk of the score. The man who did most of the damage was Azizullah, finishing with figures of five for 18. New Star were

At Cement Wicket, Petromin continued its winning sequence. It scored its third consecutive win when it beat ALQS by eigth wickets. Mahmood's all-round show steered Petromin past ALQS, who set its opponent's an easy task of 110 runs. Taiwar led Petromin to victory with a brisk 61 as Mahmood, who had taken six wickets for 33 in ALQS innings, contributed 25.

#### At Copenhagen

# Borg seen in poor light against Vitas

COPENHAGEN, March 24 (AFP) - If Sweden's Bjorn Borg was upset after his sorry performance against Vitas Gerulaitis in an exhibition match here Tuesday, he wasn't showing it Wednesday.

"The technical side of my game left something to be desired," admitted the fivetimes Wimbledon champion." But I'm very satisfied to note that I held up physically." The 25-year-old Borg added: "We played more than two hours and it seemed to me I was getting better as the match went on." He lost 2-6, 7-6, 2-6.

Meanwhile, observers here agreed that Gerulaitis deliberately eased up in the second set to spare his partner the humiliation of a straight sets defeat. But the American denied it all, adding that Borg should not be forced to through the qualifying rounds for Wimbledon and the French Open as organizers have insisted." With his previous resu-Its he is fully qualified to be seeded at Wirubledon," said Gerulaitis.

Borg's coach Lennart Gergelin said he would need to play another four or five exhibition matches before entering the



Monte Carlo tournament, his first official competition in over five months:

The Swede, who won the Wimbledon title five times, stressed that his absence from tennis had been a necessity to recover physically and mentally from over-exertion and injuries. He said he was determinted to play "somewhat fewer tournaments" in the future.

Borg said the Wimbledon organizers may make a move here against Gerolaitis, in Portugal in another exhibition match and then in the Monte Carlo Grand Prix. "My final decision will come after that," Borg was quoted as saying. -

He also said he "optimistically expected to stay in international tennis for four or six more years, but that while his vacation from tennis has been inignificant in terms of money he had come to full realization of the importance of protecting one's health.

On Sunday, Borg was quoted as saying that his chief goal this year is to win the U.S. Open "I'm burning with desire to beat John McEnroe on the American's favorite court," Borg was quoted as saying.

LONDON, March 24 (AFP) - The annual All-England Badminton Championships, which opened Wednesday at Wembley arena, will be the biggest badminton tourna-ment ever held, bringing together a record total of 26 countries and for the first time crack teams from China and Indonesia.

This year's championships will be interesting not only for their record entry but also for the clash between different schools of thought over tournament preparations. The Indonesian method of confining players to training camps and excluding them from tournaments means that Liem Swie King, winner of last year's men's singles title has not been seen in action outside Asia since then. The other side is the Chinese method of sending players out to gain maximum international tournament experience.

Liem Swie King has held the All-England title for three out of the four past years a sequence interupted only in 1980 by India's Prakash Padukone. Yet, surprisingly, top seeding has gone to Denmark's Morten Frost, who beat the Indian in last weekend's Danish Championship from which the top Chinese and Indonesian players were mis-

sing.

The Dane will have his work cut out at Wembley for, he not only has the title-holder in his half, but also has China's Han Jian, seeded five. Padukone, who has seldom reproduced his Wembley form since his win here two years ago, is in the bottom half and faces No. 3 seed China's Luan Jin, who won the "Masters" title here last autumn and Indonesia's Hadyanto.

Also in the draw are two more top Chinese, Chen Chanjie, winner of the World Games title and Chen Tai Lung. If the Chinese entry is leared in the men's singles, they look even

#### Cooney gets set for WBC bout

NEW YORK, March 24 (R) - Gerty Cooney said Tuesday his injured left shoulder appeared to be healing well and he

expects to resume sparring soon for his June
11 heavyweight title fight with World Boxing
Council (WBC) champion Larry Holmes.
Cooney, rated the No. 1 contender by both
the WBC and the World Boxing Association
(WBA), tore a shoulder muscle during a
training session on January 12 and the injury training session on January 12 and the injury resulted in a three-month postponement of the bout, originally set for March 15.

Co-promoters Don King and Sam Glass expect the match to produce the highest receipts in boxing history. Holmes and Cooney, both undefeated, will each earn a minimum purse of \$10 million. Cooney, 25, is being treated by Jeffrey Minkoff, his personal physician. "I am still following Minkoff's prescribed program of exercises. I won't resume

sparring until the doctor recommends it, but I expect it will be soon," Cooney said.
"I expect to wake up on June 12 as the world heavyweight champion. The challenger has won all 25 of his professional house. 21 within the distance. But he has bouts, 21 within the distance. But he has fought less than two full rounds in the last two years and the big question about his chances of beating Holmes concerns his stamina should the fight go beyond the middle

In his last three bouts, Cooney stopped Jimmy Young on cuts in the fourth round on May 25, 1980, knocked out Ron Lyle in the first round on October 25, 1980, and knocked out Ken Norton in the first round on May 11, 1981. Cooney said he expects to defeat Holmes, but would not predict he would do it by a knockout.

Holmes said: "I hope there are no postponements because I have a job to do—that the said would be a said to be a said."

is to knock out Gerry Cooney. I've done everything I've wanted to do in boxing and I've made a lot of money. All that's left is disposing of Gerry Cooney. I feel he won't go seven rounds," he added.

#### Hong Kong 'B' takes lead in Peking Bridge

PEKING, March 24 (AP) - Hong Kong's "B" team won two matches Tuesday and took the lead in the 16-team Hangzhou International Bridge Invitational Tournament, China's Xinhua news agency reported. The Central American and Caribbean

team, made up of players from Panama and Venezuela, lost three matches after winning its first two rounds on Monday and slipped to

Hong Kong "B" had 72 Victory Points, five ahead of Hangzhou's "A" 53. on Monday night, it beat the Central American team 16-4 in the third round and on Tuesday it beat Osaka 20 to minus one and lost to Peking 15-5. The Central Americans also lost Tuesday to Hangzhou "B" 15-5 and Hangzbou "A" 11-9.

San Francisco stood seventh after beating Osaka 19-1 Monday night and beating Tokyo "B' 20-0 and losing to Singapore 15-5 on

larger in the women's singles, where there is a strong possibility of an all-Chinese final between Zhang Ailing the top seed, and Tiplung Wzi (three).

Holder, Sun AI Hwang of Korea, is defending her title, but then the champion has been troubled by injury since she created a major upset here last year. Denmark's Lene Koppen, is also in contention and seeded two, but lost to yet another Chinese, unseeded Wu Dixi, in the Danish then.

The men's doubles, in which Kartono and Heryanto defend and are top seeds, should

also see another Indonesia-China confrontation in the final although the Chinese are not usually quite as strong in men's doubles. England's Martin Dew and Mike Tredgett in front of their home crowd and more used to

Wembley, could possibly have their say here. England hold the women's doubles title through top seeds Nora Perry and Jane Webster but China's Zhang Ailing and Liu Xia could upset them. In the mixed doubles, usually dominated by England, but with the east getting stronger and stronger, Perry and Tredgett may have a job retaining their title.

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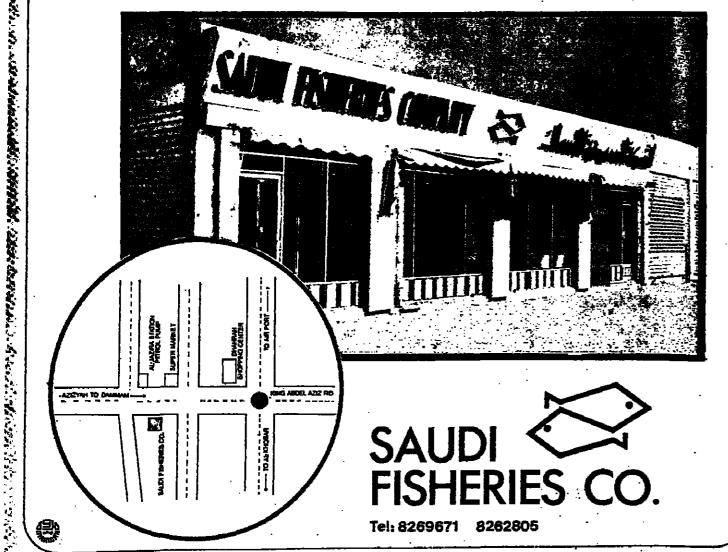
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# As Aguirre finds the mark Mavericks cut short Lakers' winning run

NEW YORK, March 24 (AP) — The 10th time was a charm for the Dailas Mavericks. After nine straight losses to the Los Angeles Lakers since the Dallas franchise was for-

med in 1980, the Mavericks needed a threepoint bomb from Mark Aguirre to beat the Pacific Division leaders 118-116 Tuesday

A 24-footer (7-m) from the corner with seven seconds left might seem like a lowpercentage shot, but Dallas coach Dick Motta said he wasn't sorry to see the Depaul rookie let it fly. "That particular play has the three-point option and I told Mark not to be afraid to take it," said Motta, who saw his team end a four-game losing streak.

In other National Basketball Association games. Boston won its 16th straight with a 110-103 victory over Chicago, New York stopped Cleveland 120-97, Atlanta bombed Washington 107-87, San Antonio clipped San Diego 106-98, Houston edged Utah 117-115, Milwaukee defeated Portland 109-104 and Golden State stopped Phoenix

Guards Rolando Blackman and Jim Spanarkel added 20 and 16 points, respectively, for Dallas as the Mavericks halted a fivegame Laker winning streak. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, showing no ill effects from a hurt ankle he suffered Sunday night, led all scorers with 32 points as he played in his 998th NBA game. However, the 7-foot-2 superstar missed five free throws in the last five minutes of the game, which was tied seven times in the final quarter.

Abdul-Jabbar scored 21 of his points in the first half as the Lakers led by as many as 11 early in the second quarter. But the Maveri-

#### A quick 'draw' saves the ref

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, March 24 (AP) — A Yugoslav soccer referee had to pull out his pistol to defend himself from enraged home players and fans, the Belgrade newspaper Vecernje Novosti reported Wednesday.

'I started carrying a gun when refereeing became a dangerous occupation, but this was the first time I had to draw it," the referee, Vladimir Stojkovic, told the paper. The incident took place last Sunday when Stoikovic was refereeing a regional league game in Sabac, a Serbian town 80 kilometers west of Belgrade.

"After the match, during which ! awarded a penalty to the visitors and had to send off a home player, the local players and their fans just broke into my room. They started hitting me and they had broken bottles and when I saw that I was really threatened. I pulled out my gun and they dispersed." Stojkovic told the paper. He did not fire any shots.

#### BRIEFS

beat France 1-0 here Wednesday to qualify for the final phase of the European Youth Football Championships.

CHICHESTER, (R) - World champion Jahangir Khan of Pakistan and Australia's Geoff Hunt won their semifinals at the Chichester International Squash Tournament beating compatriot Qamar Zaman 9-3, 9-0, 9-3, and Hiddy Jahan, of Pakistan, 9-7, 4-9 7-9, 9-1 9-5, respectively.

JOHANNESBURG, (AP) - Graham Gooch's touring English XI, set the task of scoring 190 runs in 39 overs to beat South Africa in their one day cricket tie were 23 for no wicket off eight overs at tea Wednesday. South Africa, had scored 243 for five wickets in their allotted 50 overs.

KLAGENFURT, Austria, (AFP) -Poland trounced bottom-of-the-table Norway 12-3 (3-1, 7-1, 2-1) in a Group "B" World Ice Hockey match here Tuesday.

JAKARTA, (AFP) — Indonesia plans to send 90 athletes to take part in the ninth Asian Games to behheld in New Delhi from November 19 to December 14, the Indonesian National Sports Committee 'Koni" has announced here.

cks, who are 23-45 compared to the Lakers' 47-22, narrowed the deficit to three, 62-59. at intermission behind Aguirre and Spanarkel, with six points apiece.

Celtics 110, Bulls 103: Cedric Maxwell scored 29 points as Boston beat Chicago to move within one game of its team record for consecutive victories set in 1959-60. Larry Bird had 25 points for Boston, including 10 in the third quarter when the Celtics maintained a slim lead over the determined Bulls, who got 23 points from Ronnie Lester and 22 from Artis Gilmore. The Celtics can tie the team record of 17 consecutive victories Wednesday against Cleveland in Boston.

Rockets 117, Jazz 115: Moses Malone scored 31 points and Tom Henderson had five in the last 20 seconds as Houston handed Utah its 15th straight loss despite 39 points by Darrell Griffith and 33 by Adrian Dantley. Henderson had a basket and three free throws in the last 20 seconds to offset a three-point goal by Dantley and a basket by Griffith. The Jazz took a 15-point lead in the first half in its effort to break the NBA's longest losing streak this season.

Spurs 106, Clippers 98: George Gervin scored 14 of his 27 points in the third quarter as San Antonio overcame an 11-point half time deficit by outscoring San Diego 34-14 in the period. The Clippers, who lost their seventh straight, hit 65 percent of their field goals in the first half, but they hit only four of 19 in the third quarter. Al Wood led San Diego with 22 points and Mike Mitchell had 24 for

Hawks 107, Builets 87: John Drew scored is of his 27 points in the third quarter, when Atlanta extended a five-point half time lead over Washington to a 17-point edge. The Hawks, who won their fourth straight game, also got 25 points from Eddie Johnson and 21 from Dan Roundfield.

Warriors 95, Suns 91: World Free scored 31 points to pace Golden State over Phoenix. The Warriors outscored the Suns 28-20 in the fourth quarter after Phoenix took a 71-67 edge into the final period.

Bucks 109, Blazers 104: Sidney Moncrief scored 25 points and three other Milwaukee players scored 15 or more to beat Portland despite 37 points and 18 rebounds by Mychal Thompson. The Bucks, who have won six in-a-row, outscored the Blazers 15-6 early in the fourth quarter after leading 84-82 entering the final period.

Knicks 120, Cavaliers 97: Campy Russell scored 17 of his 21 points in the fourth quarter, 15 of them in a four-minute span when New York came from behind to make the game a runaway.. Russell's three-point play tied the score 91-91 with 8:50 left and the Knicks outscored the Cavaliers 29-b all the way. The victory snapped a four-game losing streak for the Knicks.



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#### Tottenham held by Birmingham

LONDON, March 24 (AP) - Tottenham Hotspur forced to a 0-0 draw at Birmingham Tuesday night, moved up one place in its bid for the English Soccer Championship.

The result put Spurs in joint sixth place with Arsenal, six points behind the leading team Swansea. But Tottenham has four games in hand. A crowd of 17,708 saw Birmingham, which

is near the bottom end of the league, hold out

against Tottenham attacks. The London

team was without striker Steve Archibald, who was playing for Scotland against Holland Tottenham remained in contention for the English league, the English Cup and the European Cup of Cup Winners. It is way behind on its fixture list, partly because of its

fixtures in many events and partly because of

the wintry weather that caused postpone-

ment of games in December and January. Swansea leads the standings with 56 points from 30 games. After that come Southampton with 55 from 32. Manchester United with 53 from 29. Liverpool and Ipswich, both with 51 from 28. Tottenham with 50 from 26 and Arsenal with 50 from 30.

#### Kuwait records second win

# STUTTGART, (AFP) – West Germany eat France 1-0 here Wednesday to qualify or the final phase of the European Youth

By a Staff Writer

ABU DHABI, March 24 - A goal, few minutes from the final whistle, enabled Iraq snatch a point off Saudi Arabia in the Gulf Cup Soccer Championship here Wednesday. The match ended in a 1-1 draw.

In the other match, Kuwait, recorded their second win with a 2-0 victory over United

Arab Emirates. The Kingdom-Iraq match was played at a lively pace with Saudi Arabia dominating the first session in which they forged ahead through Ahmad Saghir, who neatly beat the Iraq wall in the 14th minute following a

Iraq, who till then were more inclined to take it easy, got going, but the Kingdom players did well to keep them at bay. But the switch of ends, saw the Iraqis well on top as they made inroads into the rival defense and it was just a matter of time before they would score. And they did so six minutes from full time when Hussein Saeed nodded the ball

home from close following a goalmouth

Despite this division of points Iraq held on to the top spot with five points from three outings, while Saudi Arabia occupy the fifth berth with one point from two outings.

Kuwait, who got their goals in the second session through Yusuf Zuwayed in the eighth minute and Abdulaziz Al Ambary in the 17th minute, displayed UAE from the second berth with a superior goal difference. Both the teams have four points with Kuwait having a game in hand.

Qatar which occupies the fourth position on the league table has two points from as many games while Bahrain and Oman have yet to bag a point.

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#### Despite being held at Bilbao

# English footballers capture the hearts

BILBAO, Spain, March 24, (R) — England could only draw 1-1 with Spanish club Athletic Bilbao Wednesday night but they won the hearts of the Basque crowd in the stadium where they will play their group matches in the World Cup Soccer finals in

The England players, clearly wanting to create goodwill, started by kicking a dozen footballs as presents into the near-capacity 40,000 crowd. They ended by Exchanging shirts as the crowd applauded them off the

They also pleased the crowd with some fast, precise football, particularly in the first half when only the Basque goalkeeper stopped them from taking a decisive lead. "That's what friendly games are all about. I hope we made a few friends tonight," said England manager Ron Greenwood.

He added: "We had a very good first half with lots of opportunities but their goalkeeper made some brilliant saves." Kevin Keegan gave England the lead after 37 minutes. Sarabia Equalized for the local side in the 68th minute.

Meanwhile, World Cup finalists Scotland, given the boost of two goals in the first 20 minutes, were unable to sustain their effort and were restricted to a 2-1 win over the

Netherlands in a soccer friendly in Glasgow. The Dutch, runners up at the last two World Cup finals, looked still to be suffering from the disappointment of not reaching the 1982 finals as they fell behind to a penalty by Frank Gray after 13 minutes and a Kenny Dalglish goal seven minutes later.

But the Scots, without several key players including Liverpool midfield man Graeme Souness, then lost their way and the Netherlands were able to respond with a goal after 30 minutes from Wim Kieft, their 19-yearold striker. The second half was generally disappointing although Alan Brazil, who with Tommy Burns came on for Dalglish and Steve Archibald, showed how to open up the Dutch defence with some tight turns under pressure. But his shots and crosses let him

Arnold Muhren, Brazil's teammate at Ipswich, came closest to scoring in the second half with a header that Alan Rough did well

In Santiago, Chile beat fellow World Cup finalists Peru 2-1 in an ili-tempered friendly soccer International. The climax of a bitterly contested second half came in the 87th minute when Chilean forward Moscosciand Peruvian defender Duarte were sent off after exchanging frlows.

The best part of the match was contained in the opening 24 minutes during which the three goals were scored. Chile missing star striker Carlos Cassely and defenders Gerrido and Venzuela because of injury, shring id off some recent indifferent form V take the lead with a superb volley by Letelier in the 13th

But Peru, which meet Italy Poland and Cameroun in their preliminary group matches in Spain, came back strongly got an equalizer when veteran defender Elias Figueroa headed into his own net after 17

Chile, who play in Group Two in Spain with West Germany, Algeria and Austria, regained the lead in the 24th minute when midfielder Neira beat goalkeeper Oulrega with a long range shot.

#### Leaders Swansea takes on Ipswich

### Tight schedule has Burkinshaw in a spot

LONDON, March 24 (AP) - Tottenham Hotspur, with a chance of three soccer titles and a heavy backlog of games, wants the English First Division made smaller.

"It's time the league was cut from 22 teams to 18," said Tottenham manager Keith Burkinshaw. "There are crowds of only 11,000 and 12,000 at some First Division stadiums now, and it's because the public sees too

Spurs have a fearful program ahead, with a minimum of 20 games in two months and possibly more. The crowded fixture list is taking its toll in injuries, and in the middle of it all midfield star Ossie Ardiles will say goodbye to his teammates and join Argentina for World Cup preparations.

Burkinshaw said he faces the prospect of being without players in every game because of injuries. "The Football Association has helped by moving the English Cup final back two weeks, without any regard for the fact that the World Cup is on this summer." The Cup final, usually played in early May, is set for May 22 at Wembley Stadium.

In addition to losing Ardiles. Spurs have two stars who will be thinking of the World Cup as the end of the season approaches. Glenn Hoddle is likely to be chosen for England and Steve Archibald for Scotland.

Tottenham goes to West Bromwich Saturday to face in-form striker Cyrille Regis and his men. With the top eight teams at different stages of their 42-match program for the season, the race for the title is a confused puzzle. Swansea, the surprise team of the season, plays Ipswich at home Saturday. That's an important one. If Swansea wins, the Welsh team's dream of carrying of the title in its first

#### Cosmos bowsout

LOS ANGELES, March 24 (AP) -The defending tournament champion New York Cosmos was eliminated from the third annual Los Angeles Soccer Classic Tuesday following a loss to the Comunicaciones of Guatemala at the Los Angeles Coliseum. The Guatemalan team outshot New

York 4-2 in a series of penalty kicks after regulation play ended with a scoreless tie before a crowd of 26,390. Giorgio Chinaglia got the Cosmos off to a bad start in the penalty phase, missing the first penalty

In the second game, Club America of Mexico City advanced to Thursday's championship game with a 3-1 victory over the National team of Honduras.

season in the first division will edge a little closer to reality. And defeat would be a blow to Ipswich, which is trying to come back after a lean spell.

John Toshack, former Liverpool star, has performed wonders as Swansea's manager. His men started the season at a cracking pace and then appeared to be feeling the strain. Now they have come right back. Southampton is at home to Stoke City. It badly needs a goal or two by Kevin Keegan to restore con-

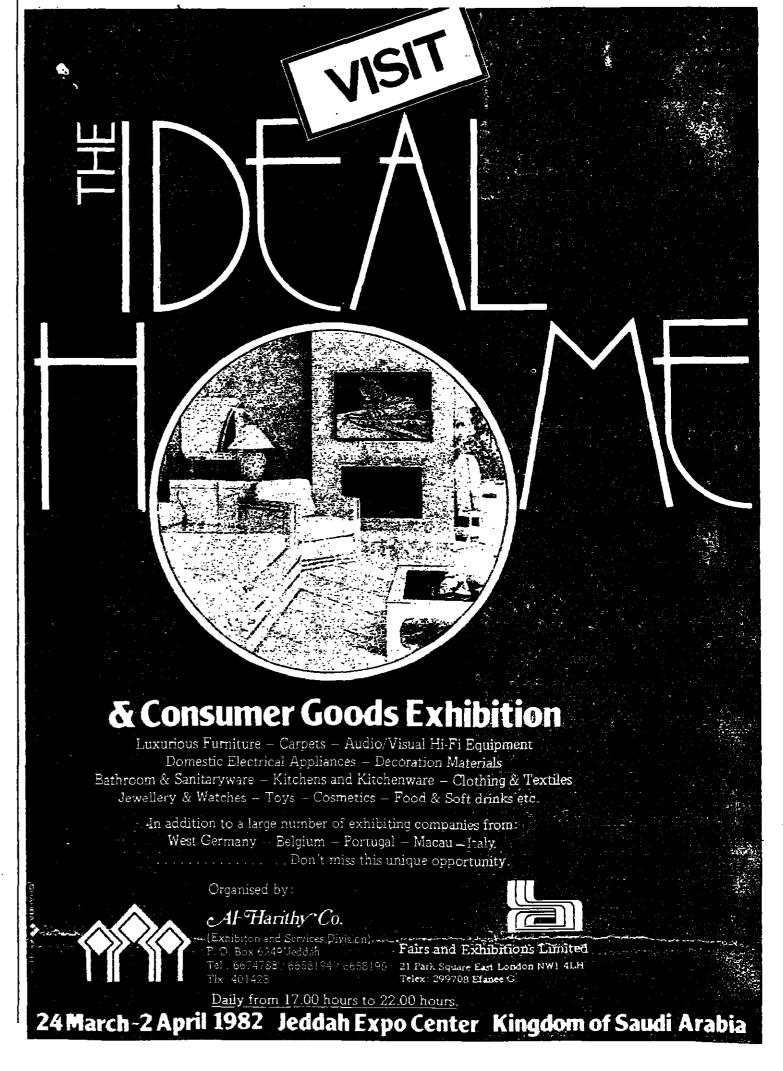
fidence after recent lapses.

Manchester United is at home to Sunderland. Liverpool travels a mile across the city to visit local rival Everton. Arsenal is at home to Aston Villa, last season's champion whose reputation is now somewhat tarnished. Manchester City is away to Middlesbrough, the bottom team in the standings. It could be City's last chance to stay in the race, and manager John Bond's men will be all out to

Luton, runaway leader in the Second Division promotion race, has suddenly had its lead cut to almost nothing. Watford is now level on 59 points in top place, but Luton has a better goals record and has two games in hand. Luton has to travel to Derby, while Watford is at home to Bolton.

The team to watch is Sheffield Wednesday, managed by former England World Cup star Jackie Charlton. Sheffield has climbed into third place and has a comfortable looking home game with Orient. Luton and Watford are on 59, points. Sheffield on 53. Rotherham on 52 and Blackburn on 51.

With three teams due to go up to the First Division at the end of the season, Luton and Watford look good bets. Sheffield, one of England's most famous clubs with a long and illustrious history, is bidding to come out of the wilderness and return to the First Division after 12 years.



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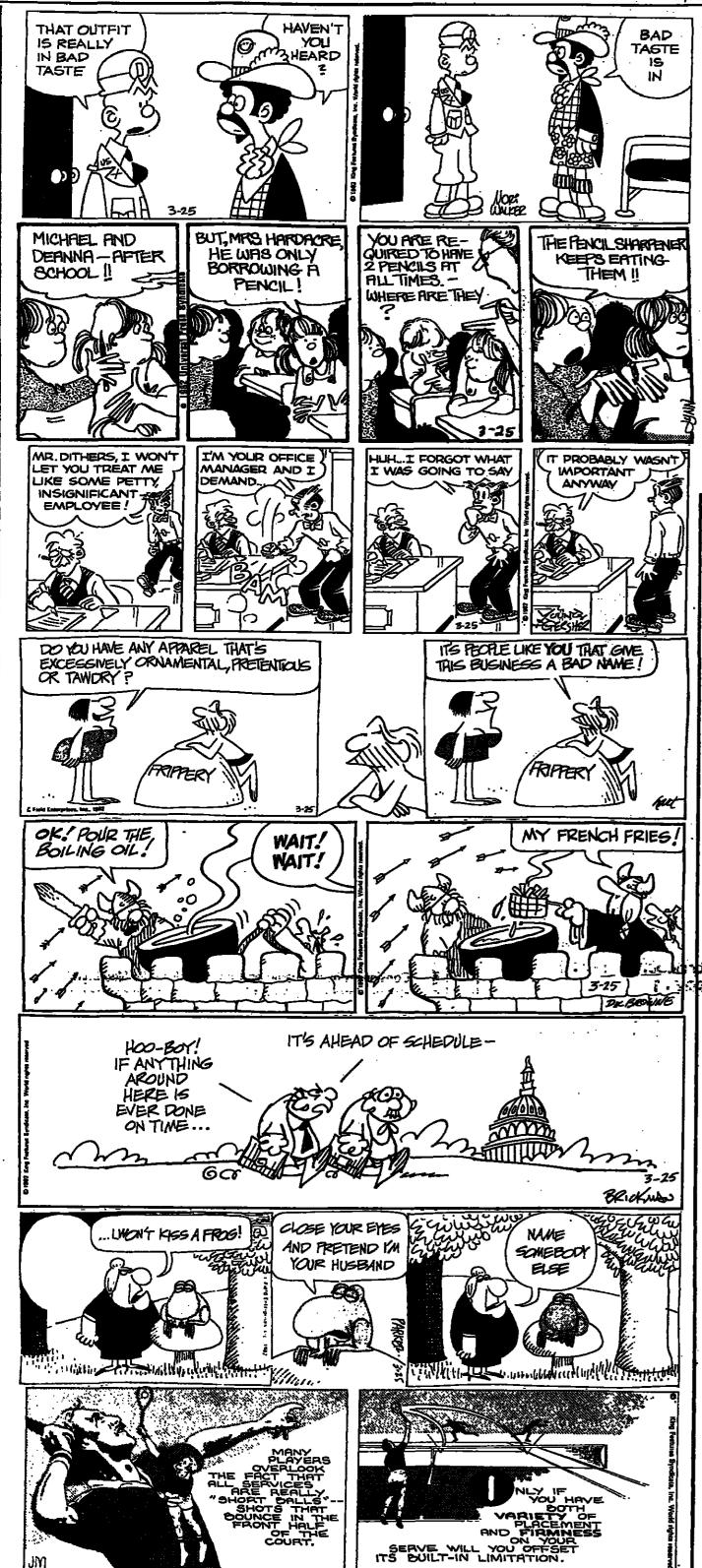
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#### The Rationale in Dummy Play

EAST

East dealer. East-West vulnerable. NORTH **♦**K5 ♥K9862 **OAK** 

WEST. **♦**J102 **♦**AQ983

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**♦Q8 ♠**A92 The bidding:

South West North

2♡ Pass 4♡ Opening lead - jack of spades.

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of spades. It seems likely at this point that you'll eventually lose two spades and two clubs, and go down one. But if you're a fighter from the old school, and know a thing or two about good card play, you realize there's a very good

chance to make the contract. In line with this thought, you cover the spade jack with the king, losing to East's ace. East cashes the queen of spades and shifts to a diamond. You can tell from the bidding and plays to date that East almost certainly holds the K-O of clubs. He would not have a normal opening bid if he lacked either of these

Accordingly, you attempt to arrange an elimination play. You win the diamond return with the king, cash the Q-J of trumps, ruff your last spade in dummy, cash the ace of diamonds, play a trump to your ace, and lead a low club

to dummy's eight.

East wins the eight with the queen or king, but must hand you the contract whether he returns a club or gives you a ruff and discard. To some extent you're lucky to have found West rather than East with the ten of clubs, but this is exactly the kind of luck that good players always seem to run into. That's why you often Let's assume you're in four - hear it said that very good



#### Your Individual Horoscope

= Frances Drake = FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 25, 1982

(Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) The ability to see things in the large helps you now. Act

on long-range plans, but avoid initiating friction with close ties after dark. **TAURUS** (Apr. 20 to May 20)

A new approach brings success in the completion of unfinished tasks. Don't push beyond your limits or you'll become impatient. **GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20)

terests to go along. New introductions are exciting. Avoid jealousy in romance. CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A surprising career development works to your advantage. Don't be a stick-in-the-

mud. Be willing to take a chance on your future. (July 23 to Aug. 22) **1** A surprise invitation for travel or good times will prove

A close friend has some new

ideas and it's in your best in-

stimulating. Some meet a new romantic interest. Don't argue in the evening. VIRGO

(Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) You may hear of a good real estate venture. Review your overall security program with an eye to improving your retirement picture.

(Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Satisfy a friend's need for adventure by doing something new together. Edginess could lead to quarrels towards nightfail.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Innovative methods bring financial gains. Begin new work projects, but don't bring office problems home with you. Know when to rest. SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Exciting introductions come now. Plan to get more fun out of life! Seek new avenues of entertainment. A friend is very competitive. CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) Take an inventory of your possessions. You may run across something that is more valuable than you realize. Accent domesticity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) Impromptu meetings are likely to be fun-filled. Make important phone calls and attend to correspondence, Don't argue needlessly. PISCES

(Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) An unexpected financial opportunity comes your way. Present original ideas to higher-ups. Avoid engaging in fights about money.



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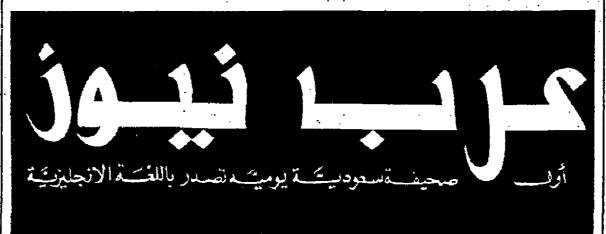
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Left-wing guerrillas warned

# man junta seizes power in Guatemala

cies) — A three-man junta which seized power in Guatemala Tuesday, warned increasingly active left-wing guerrillas in the Central American state that the new regime would combat them militarily if they continued their operations. The new rulers abolished Congress and suspended constitu-

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Junta chief Gen. Efrain Rios Montt, who issued the warning at a news conference Wednesday, also said that the junta would give a high priority to breaking Guatemala's diplomatic isolation and to encouraging foreign investments. The triumvirate overthrew President Romeo Lucas Garcia in a bloodless coup, promising to end corruption and to

restore democracy.

Gen. Montt, who lost a disputed election when he ran for president on the Christian Democratic ticket in 1974, formed the junta with Gen. Horacio Maldonado and Col. Francisco Gordillo. The junta chief said at his press conference that former President Garcia was under arrest and that, contrary to earlier reports, he would not be allowed to

The coup, masterminded by a group of 'voung officers", developed in the small Guatemalan Air Force and quickly gained the support of the main army units. President Garcia capitulated after a five-hour siege in his presidential palace. The junta promised to hold new elections but fixed no date. The coup came only 10 days after the proclama-

LONDON. March 24 (AP) — The Royal

Navy was being so stretched by the British

government's defense spending cutbacks that its deterrent capability in the Atlantic on the

North Atlantic Treaty Organization's west-

ern flank "is looking shaky," the Press Association reported Wednesday.

dent of Britain's domestic news agency.

quoted unidentified Defense Department

sources as saying that the Navy's firepower

was being weakened to the point where it

may not be able to neutralize Soviet sub-

disgruntled by the the hard-pressed Conser-

vative government's continuing defense cut-

backs, followed a string of unauthorized dis-

closures by Defense Department sources that

have embarrassed and angered Prime Minis-

ter Margaret Thatcher. The Defense Ministry

Wednesday's leaks came the day after the

government announced the latest round of

cutbacks that will trim the Navy's strength by

10,000 personnel to 62,000 over the next

SAN SALVADOR, March 24 (Agencies)

— The Salvadoran Army was placed on gen-

eral alert Wednesday following reports of

violent incidents from widely separated regions of the troubled Central American state

in the closing hours of campaign for Sunday's

The official campaign for the election, in

which right-wing and centrist parties are con-

testing, was expected to end at midnight

Wednesday. Left-wing guerrillas fighting to topple El Salvador's U.S.-backed junta have

denounced the election and leftist parties are

VIENNA, March 24 (R) - Bulgarian

former Deputy Foreign Minister Zhivko

Popov has been jailed for 20 years at a major

corruption trial in Sofia, the Bulgarian news

agency BTA reported Wednesday. Three

other men convicted with him of financial

irregularities and offenses involving hard cur-

rency transactions received prison sentences

of 10 years, 15 years and 18 years, the agency

The Bulgrian Supreme Court sentenced

them last Monday after a trial lasting 19 days.

The sentences are final and not subject to appeal, the report added. It gave no further details of the offenses. But diplomatic

sources in Sofia said they understood the case

involved financial irregularities in connection

Popov, 52, was deputy foreign minister in

with purchase of works of art abroad.

election.

said.

Salvador alerts army

declined all comment on the PA report.

The leaks, apparently from navy officers

Robert Hutchinson, defense correspon-



JUNTA LEADER SPEAKS: Gen. Efrain Rios Montt (center) addressing a news conference in Guatemala City Tuesday when he announced the formation of a junta in the aftermath of the overthrow of the right-wing government. At left is Gen. Horacio Maldonado and at right is Col. Luis Francisco Gordillo, other junta members.

tion of Gen. Anibal Guevara as future president following his election victory March 7. In a statement broadcast over national radio and television, the coup leaders said the March 7 election of Gen. Guevara was "manipulated" and promised to restore "peace and authentic democracy to Guatemala."
Guevara has been scheduled to replace Lucas

Disgruntled officials attack cutbacks

four years and close seven training bases.

The government announced last year that

the Navy's surface fleet will be slashed from

59 to 42 amid hefty spending cuts. The

sources claimed the cutbacks will strain

already limited NATO resources in maritime

patrol planes and both conventional and nuc-

This, they said, seriously impaired NATO's capability of blocking Soviet sub-

marines passage into the Atlantic through

the "choke point" between Greenland, Ice-

their naval order of battle, including those

covered in anechoic coating that absorbs

sound waves instead of reflecting them that

makes them practically impossible to detect

Hutchinson quoted the sources as saying

The Royal Navy alone would not be able to

sink the new Soviet nuclear-powered battle

cruiser Kirov, "the Bismark of the 1980s,"

because its firepower would be inadequate.

The guerrillas have threatened to march on

El Salvador's cities in the next few days and

have stepped up attacks on the capital's buses

in an attempt to bring public transport to a

Just after Tuesday nightfall, four explo-

sions were heard in the center of the capital

and security sources said guerrillas had

bombed a number of targets, including a

bank and an electricity sub-station. No

casualties were reported. A bomb also

exploded in the city Tuesday afternoon as

that the cutbacks also mean:

U.K. trims naval strength, shuts 7

lear submarines.

land and Britain.

boycotting the poll.

July 1.

In the broadcast, the insurgents announced creation of a junta to govern the country, where left-wing guerrillas have been waging a bloody campaign to overthrow the right-wing government. Although the coup leaders con-demned the presidential election as corrupt

The entire force of 34 Royal Air Force

long-range Nimrod maritime patrol planes

would have to be used to maintain a constant

four-aircraft screen protecting Atlantic con-

voys in Britain's operational zone, leaving

deep-diving Soviet nuclear submarines in the

Atlantic, neutralizing them before they get

within missile-firing range of NATO ships, would be "difficult" because of the lack of

surface vessels and aircraft needed to detect

All the Royal Navy's destroyers and fri-

task forces and Atlantic convoys - the

Navy's top priority mission — leaving gaps

that allied navies, with their own missions to

needed for air defense of convoys carrying

reinforcements and supplies would be

impaired because their sea dart missiles could

be jammed. A plan to update th sea dart

system to counter the jamming threat has

thousands of supporters of the right-wing

Republican Nationalist Alliance (Arena) left

Security sources said the explosion was

aimed at an electricity installation, which was

damaged, and apparently not at the nearby

supporters of Arena and its young military leader. Maj. Roberto d'Aubuisson, who

recently escaped two assassination attempts in one day. D'Aubuisson has considerable

backing among San Salvador's middle clas-

Symbolic of the violence that has scarred

the Salvadoran election was a swashbuckling

appearance by D'Aubuisson, who wound up

his election campaign before about 6,000 persons. With a pistol strapped to his hip and

wearing a bulletproof vest under a sweater,

D'Aubuisson was surrounded by dozens of

bodyguards armed with submachine guns,

while bands played and majorities pirouetted

At stake in the election is the choice of a

60-man constituent assembly for the tiny

war-torn Central-American state where lef-

tist guerrillas have been waging a two-year

battle against the United States-backed

right-wing junta currently led by President Jose Napoleon Duarte.

ses, according to political sources.

in red-white-and-blue uniforms.

The effectiveness of British destroyers

handle, would not be able to plug.

been scrapped to save money.

after violent incidents

a final campaign rally.

es would be needed to protect U.S carrier

"Defense in depth" against fast-moving,

gaps in the NATO defense strategy.

bases

Garcia and begin serving a four-year term on

not immediately known.

Some sources said they were supporters of Alejandro Maldonado Aguirre, a Christian Democrat and the most centrist candidate among the four right-wingers who ran for the presidency. But the broadcast statement was read by Leonel Sisniega Otero, the vice presidential candidate of the National Liberation Movement, which was considered the most conservative party entered in the election that was boycotted by leftists.

In Washington, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig was asked about the coup and said, "we are following it very closely. It's too early to make any substantive comment, and I'll reserve on that until the situation is clarified.

The U.S. State Department said in Washington that Gen. Lucas Garcia was believed to be in the presidential palace and that the U.S. ambassador had spoken to president-elect Guevara, who was safe.

Critics, including the United States, claim Guatemala's government is guilty of violating human rights either directly, or by ignoring activities of right-wing terrorist group. Leftist guerrilla activity has increased in recent years. Unofficial but authoritative sources estimated that the political violence last year averaged 300 deaths a month.

Critics abroad claim the Guatemalan government tolerates the work of the rightist squads, in the name of fighting the leftist

#### Survey portrays Heathrow worst

LONDON, March 24 (AP) - Heathrow Airport, London, is the worst airport in the world, according to an international survey published Tuesday. The survey, organized by the London-based International Airline Passengers' Association (IAPA), a consumer group with 110,000 members worldwide, showed Amsterdam's Schipol airport the most popular and providing the best facilities.

The survey took place last fall when the association sent questionaires to 41,000 members. Just over 8,000 were completed, it said. More than one-fifth of those who replied put Heathrow as their lowest choice of airport although the airport fared better than in a previous IAPA survey two years ago when one in three persons placed the airport, the world's busiest, at the bottom of their list.

British Airways, the country's national carrier, was also heavily criticized, with one quarter of those questioned in the survey replying it was the airline they would least like to fly. Aeroflot, the Soviet national airline, Alitalia and Pan American World Airways were also low on the list of favorite airlines. Regular travelers voted Swissair the best, followed by Singapore Airlines.

Reacting to the survey, a British Airways spokesman commented: "It is inevitable that the world's largest international airline should attract some critic-

ism." "Another independent survey carried out last year proved that British Airways was top in in-flight service and top in punctuality," he said.

#### ltalian newsmen strike ROME, March 24 (AP)- Italian journalists seeking a new contract began the first of three straight days of strikes Wednesday, blacking out newspaper, radio and television

Contracts for journalists expired Dec. 31, and the union has called a number of one-day strikes to put pressure on the publishers. The union seeks an average increase of nearly 500,000 lire (\$400) a month in salary and

fringe benefits. The publishers' association has rejected demand as excessive. It has made no specific counteroffer but said increases must be kept within the 16 percent limit sought by the government for all union contracts in its attempt to slow inflation.

#### key NATO policy issues COLORADO SPRINGS, Colorado, March 24 (AP) - Western alliance defer ministers and a two-day meeting here Wedn-The meeting of 13 NATO ministers, who consider nuclear questions twice a year, was

Agreement

reported on

esday in apparent accord on key policy issues aimed at curbing U.S. and Soviet nuclear firepower.

due to close with a communique and a news conference featuring NATO Secretary-General Joseph Luns and U.S. Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger.

A senior U.S. official reported "a high degree of agreement' among the ministers in Tuesday's secret sessions in a resort hotel at the foot of the Rocky Mountains.

The Unites States seems to have nailed down North Atlantic alliance backing for President Ronald Reagan's proposal to forgo deployment of 572 new U.S. medium-range missiles in Western Europe if the Soviets scrap about 650 similar weapons already in firing positions.

Weinberger also appears to have assured the United States of alliance supported for rejection of Soviet President Leonid. Brezhnev's latest attempt to block the U.S. deployment, which is scheduled to begin late next year. A week before the ministers met, Brezhnev announced a unilateral freeze on deployment of medium-range missiles in the western Soviet Union.

The senior U.S. official, briefing reporters under ground rules protecting his anonymity, said the NATO ministers feel Brezhnev "seeks to legitimize the current Soviet superiority" in such weapons, including the advanced triple-warhead SS-20 missiles. NATO has no similar weapons now.

At the same time, the NATO ministers will

come away from this meeting with a U.S. commitment to move speedily toward opening negotiations with the Soviet Union on reducing strategic nuclear weapons, the long-range missiles and bombers that constitute the main nuclear punch of the superpow-

The United States and the Soviet Union already have started talks in Geneva on how to reduce shorter-range nuclear missiles on both sides in Europe.

The senior U.S. official quoted Weinberger as telling his fellow defense chiefs that "we are in the final stages of preparing" poss-ible proposals to be placed before Reagan and the National Security Council, a preliminary to opening strategic weapons negotiations with the Soviets.

These staff proposals may be ready in a few weeks, the official said. But he left the strong impression that the United States would enter those talks only if the Soviets refrain from heating up tensions.

#### U.S. to praise Pertini

WASHINGTON, March 24 (R) — Italian President Sandro Pertini, starting a nine-day visit to the United States Wednesday, is expected to receive lavish praise for Italy's rescue of U.S. Brig. Gen. James Dozier from Red Brigades guerrilla-kidnappers.

U.S. officials signaled! a warm reception to be accorded Pertini, describing him as a man of integrity and devotion to liberty. The Italian president is due to meet President Reagan at the White House Thursday. In the evening, he will be the guest at a formal White House dinner which Gen. Dozier is expected to attend.

Insurance, on life, health and possessions, is here in the West one of the greatest business sectors. It is very much part of the fabric of personal and commercial life — my window cleaner, for instance, tells me that part of his deal with his boss is an isurance against a fall. Neither he nor the boss would have it any other way.

In the Middle East, insurance of course is there, but is not yet as common. Car insurance in some of our countries is now compulsory, while life insurance is frowned upon for religious reasons.

As everybody knows the world of insurance is as full of all kinds of mischief as any other part of life, with worn-out cars conveniently put to the torch so you can buy a brand new one, and unwanted business stock mysteriously burgled so you can still get money for what you can't sell. Insurance companies develop their own expertise in detecting a true claim from a fraudulent one, and the figure of the insurance detective has entered the world of fiction, a hero equal in stature to

the private eye.

Recently I read a memoire by one such operative, and 1 found I liked the bizarre but real claims more than the all too common swindles. ~

One of the strangest claims made in his experience was of a man claiming cover because an elephant had sat on his car and squashed it. On investigation it turned out the man was attending an open air show involving some very tame elephants. One of those must have been particularly stupid. It mistook the car for the seat it was supposed to sit on. Both car and seat were colored red.

In another case, a lady claimed cover as a result of a severe bite on the hand by an oversize Alaskan crab. As she started preparing it, the beast gave a spirited and momentarily triumphant resistance, breaking the woman's hand in the process.

And there was once this man who claimed insurance following a dogbite. The insurance company sent its representative to inspect the beast and determine whether it was capable of such a crime. Whereupon the beast turned and bit him. thus both clinching the case of the complainant and forcing the company to pay damages to its representative as well...

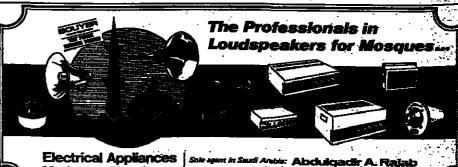
#### Officials put off Columbia's test

HOUSTON, Texas March 24 (R) - U.S. space agency officials changed the flight plan of the space shuttle Columbia Wednesday to help astronauts Jack Lousma and Gordon Fullerton recover from an unexpectedly busy schedule Tuesday.

The reusable craft was making its 28th orbit of the earth when mission control in Houston announced that a test of its cargomoving arm would be postponed because of the failure of television cameras. A spokesman said the flight plan had been modified 📜 👢 mainly to give the crew a more leisurely day. The changes were basically an exchange of activities scheduled for the third and fourth days of the seven-day mission.

Lousma and Fullerton had little sleep on their first night due to problems with the temperature control system and mysterious radio interference through their communication headsets, which woke them every 90 minutes. It took longer than expected to close the doors of the payload bay because a rubber seal had frozen, and the craft had to be turned to face the sun to warm the seal.

A NASA official said the astronauts did not eat much during the day, mainly because they were busy and tired.



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Bulgaria jails ex-deputy minister then ambassador to Czechoslovakia until December last year. He was ousted from the Bulgarian Communist Party's central committee and expelled from the party earlier this month for unspecified offenses.

> Besides imprisoning Popov, the court ordered all his property to be confiscated, banned him from ever occupying a position or any post with financial responsibility, and forbade him to live in Sofia for 23 years. Property acquired by his wife and daughter with money he misappropriated was also seized by the state. BTA said.

The others convicted with Popov were Vulo Goranov, 52, who was jailed for 18 years; Krnstyu Moutafchiev, 49, imp: coned for 15 years and fined 2,000 leva (about \$2,330); and Kiril Bashliev, 39, sent to prison for 10 years and fined 2,000 leva.

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